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SOVIET ARMY'S HEADLONG DASH TO ODESSA

Three Mighty Groups Roll Forward: Zhukov Pivoting Towards Lvov: 2 District Centres Captured

MOSCOW, April 1.

The Russians have captured Podhajce, a district centre of the Tarnopol region.

TRIPLE DRIVE TO BLACK SEA

Reuter's special correspondent cables:—

Three mighty Soviet Army Groups are rolling forward on a 300-mile front from the Carpathians to the Black Sea.

On their left wing the Red Armies are closing in swiftly on Odessa and the latest messages put the Soviet spearheads only 30 to 35 miles from the great Black Sea port.

Saturday's 'communique' states: "During April 1 south-west of Tarnopol our troops were engaged in offensive operations in the course of which they captured Podhajce, district centre of Tarnopol region, as well as over 30 other inhabited localities. South of Kamenets-Podolski our troops fought their way into a number of localities. Our troops closed in on the town of Hotin and have engaged the enemy in street fighting.

In the Kishinev direction our troops occupied over 30 inhabited localities.

In the Tiraspol direction our troops captured Troitskoye, district centre of the Odessa region, and 60 other inhabited localities. In the Odessa direction our troops pursuing the retreating enemy fought their way into more than 100 inhabited localities.

During March 31 on all fronts our troops disabled or destroyed 39 German tanks. In air combat and by anti-aircraft fire 86 German planes were shot down."

Podhajce is 32 miles north-east of Stainslavov and 28 miles south-west of Tarnopol. Hotin is 12 miles south-west of Kamenets-Podolski on road to Czernowitz. It is the last town of any size left to the Germans in the Proskurov pocket north of the Dniester. Troitskoye is 40 miles south-east of Balti and 60 miles north-east of Tiraspol.

RUMANIAN BATTALIONS DESERT TO RED ARMY

A complete Rumanian battalion deserted to the Red Army in one sector on the Kishinev direction, states the Supplement to the Soviet "communique".

The supplement adds that southern and central parts of Hotin has been occupied by Soviet troops and the Germans pressed back to the northern suburbs.

Reds Racing Towards Odessa

(From Reuter's staff correspondent)

MOSCOW, April 2.

Gen. Malinovsky's Cossacks and motor cycle Tommygunners are racing over the steppes and along flat coastal roads towards Odessa, hurling back German units and cutting them up without a moment's respite.

Three columns are moving on the Black Sea Port with the speed of thunderbolts from the north, north-east and east.

Although some detached German groups are resisting fiercely the Soviet advance, it is becoming a more and more a headlong pursuit past groups of prisoners shivering in cold sea wind, amid masses of broken equipment.

VON KLEIST'S DELAYING ACTION

To the north-west von Kleist is fighting a desperate delaying action in a bid to hold open the escape corridor for Odessa garrison and German troops still east of the Dniester. At the other end of the southern front Marshal Zhukov is again pivoting towards Lvov, the great communications centre which has become the key for a general advance through the Carpathians. He is striking across a dense network of German communications, south-east of Lvov and latest advances have brought his troops within 50 miles of the city.

German commanders in the Odessa area are trying to whip up battered troops for counter-attacks.

TWO-WAY DRIVE

The two-way drive on Kishenev and Tiraspol on either side of the Dniester is making good headway against furious but unco-ordinated German resistance.

There is no further news of Soviet advance through the Tartar Pass, but a dispatch to-day describes how Soviet tanks are moving up by the side of "Blue Carpathians."

STRONG SOVIET ATTACKS

BERLIN, April 2: To-day's German "communique" reported strong Soviet attacks between the Ukrainian Bug and the Dniester river. The "communique" said that the Soviets attacked with strong infantry and tank forces north-west of Berzovka."—Reuter.

NEW SOVIET TERMS TO FINLAND

Direct Negotiations Opened At Moscow

NEW YORK April 1: Dr. Paasikivi has reported modifications in Russia's armistice terms to Helsinki after two-days conference in Moscow, said an Associated Press despatch from Stockholm tonight.

The despatch adds that it is stated reliably that the Soviet conditions "are milder in many vital respects."

DIRECT CONTACT MADE

STOCKHOLM, Reuter's special correspondent: Reports of impending important decisions in the Finnish Riksdag are unconfirmed. The whole position is such that the greatest reserve is necessary.

But it is generally thought in Stockholm that direct Finnish-Russian contact has been made most probably in Moscow.—Reuter.

FINLAND STUDIES TERMS

STOCKHOLM, April 2: The new Russian armistice conditions were being studied by the Finnish Government to-day according to a usually well-informed source, says Reuter's special correspondent. This source stated that territorial conditions in the new terms were much milder. But it is feared that the Finnish Government may not accept the reported Russian claim for heavy damages.—Reuter.

Fate Of Victims Of Nazi Persecution In Balance

CHICAGO, April 2: The Executive Director of the War Refugee Board, Mr. John W. Pehle said here to-night that all the power and prestige of the United States was being used by the Board to save victims of Nazi persecution.—Reuter.

NEW YORK COTTON
New York, April 1.
May 20.86, July 20.51, October 20.03.
Middling Spot 21.71.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON
New York, April 1.
May 21.02, July 20.68 October 20.06.
Middling Spot 20.95.

World Charter For Seamen

Indians & Chinese Attend London Conference

LONDON, April 1: The draft of a proposed international charter for seamen was discussed at a Conference in London today of the International Transport Workers' Federation and Mercantile Marine Officers' International, at which Indian and Chinese representatives are taking part.

During a debate on working hours at sea, it was pointed out that there were practical difficulties in placing a definite limit on overtime. The aim should be to see that overtime was kept down as much as possible and that seamen received sufficient time off when in port.

A resolution was carried declaring that shipping services must be primarily conducted for the benefit of the community and not as a means of speculation and profit-making.

The resolution added that it would be necessary for a permanent international authority after the war to allocate tonnage on a basis which took into account the different needs of countries and their past contributions.

The Conference has ended.

NAIROBI INDIAN MERCHANT JAILED

Sequel To Profiteering On Cellophane Paper

NAIROBI, April 1: One of Nairobi's foremost Indian merchants, Rehemtulla Kassam Suleman Verjee, has been sentenced to one year's hard labour and a fine of £100 for profiteering.

He overcharged £15 on a sale of cellophane paper to another Indian.—Reuter.

ARRESTS GALORE IN HUNGARY

ZURICH, April 1.

From Reuter's special correspondent: Hundreds of arrests continue to be made daily in Hungary according to reports reaching here from a neutral source in Budapest. The Hungarian police are assisting the Gestapo but all prisoners are ultimately delivered to German S. S. Troops for deportation.

Among the prominent people arrested this week are the well-known Admiral Konneks and Lajos Keresztes Fiscser, brother of the Minister of Interior.—Reuter

GERMAN TOWNS ATTACKED

Bombs Dropped On Swiss Frontier Town In Mistake

LONDON, April 2: An Air Ministry communique says, "Last night Mosquitos of the Bomber Command attacked objectives in Hanover, Krefeld and Aachen.

BOMBS ON SCHAFFHAUSEN

The Swiss radio quotes a communique stating that United States bombers flew over the Canton of Schaffhausen at 10-30 hours on Saturday. Bombs were dropped on Schaffhausen town. The radio again quoting an official statement said that several fires were started in Schaffhausen town, including the area of the railway station.

ALARM IN ZURICH

ZURICH, April 1, (delayed): The news that the Swiss frontier town of Schaffhausen has been bombed by American planes caused great excitement here. It is suggested that anti-aircraft fire led high-flying American airmen to believe that they were over Germany as visibility was bad at the time. The damage is considerable, particularly near the railway station.

A communique broadcast to-night says 271 persons are dead and 100, more or less, seriously injured. Some 30 planes appeared to take part in the bombing. They dropped their bombs from a height of 15,000 feet. It is known that ten objectives were hit and caught fire.

The Swiss radio stated to-night that several hundred people in Schaffhausen have lost their homes.

U. S. Bombers Attack Nazi Targets

LONDON, April 1.—A 'communique' from the Headquarters of the U.S. Strategic Air Forces in Europe to-day said: "B" 24 Liberators' of the 8th Air Forces attacked industrial targets and communications in south-west Germany on Saturday. Five enemy fighters which opposed deep penetration were shot down. A number of planes on ground were also destroyed. Other P-47 'Thunderbolts' attacked airfields in Bremen and Hanover areas, shot up 16 locomotives and damaged tugs and barges.

ON SWISS TERRITORY

Due to difficulties of navigation in bad weather some bombs fell on Swiss territory by mistake. From all of our operations 13 bombers and 4 fighters are missing.—Reuter.

Raids On Steyr Factories

ADVANCED ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN ITALY, April 2.

Mediterranean Allied Airforce heavy bombers raided Steyr ball-bearing works to-day.

Daimler Puch Aircraft Components factory at Steyr which is 90 miles west of Vienna was also raided by strong formations of Fortresses and Liberators with escorts of Thunderbolts and Lightnings. Formations met intense fighter opposition and anti-aircraft fire. It was the third daylight attack on Steyr works from Italy.—Reuter.

TERRORISM IN PALESTINE SQUASHED

Nationalist Arabs' Memo To British High Commissioner

JERUSALEM, April 2: Sgt Isaac Polani, a Palestinian Jewish police sergeant, who had been shot and wounded on Saturday while on duty in Hadarsacarmer quarter of Haifa, died to-day.

So far 60 persons were arrested during last night by the Palestine police and military authorities.

The authorities are confident that the situation is now completely in hand.

The Chairman of the Executive of the Jewish Agency David Bengurion, in a speech at Telaviev to-day declared that Zionists had no quarrel with Great Britain to-day. Their only quarrel, he added, was with the policy of the white paper itself.

At the same time 40 members of the Arab National Bloc, meeting at Jaffa, decided to submit a memorandum to the Colonial Office and to the British High Commissioner in Palestine on the future of the country.

TERRORISM SQUASHED

Maj.-Gen. Houghes McConnel General Officer Commanding Palestine and Sir Harold MacMichael, High Commissioner for Palestine have directed that the eight-day curfew restrictions be lifted from Jerusalem Telaviv and Haifa to-day, says Reuter's Special Correspondent, in Jerusalem. The curfew was lifted following the dramatic nation-wide swoop by Palestine police and military, in the course of which an intensified number of arrests were made. It is believed that the back of the terrorists movement has been broken, particularly of a stern gang in a hot spot of Telaviv, where the police hunt was the fiercest.—Reuter.

Police On Duty Injured In Shooting

HAIFA, April 1.

A British Police Inspector was slightly injured and a Palestinian Jewish Police Sergeant seriously hurt when they were shot while on duty in the Hadarscarmer quarter of Haifa this morning (Saturday).—Reuter.

71 JAP PLANES DESTROYED

LONDON, April 2.

Allied Headquarters, South-West Pacific:

Allied air forces, making another attack on the Japanese aerodrome at Hollandia in Northern New Guinea, have destroyed 57 Japanese planes on ground and shot down 14 others, which intercepted. Another 11 interceptors were shot down at Moem aerodrome in the Truk area.

Gen. MacArthur's 'communique', which announces this to-day, also reports another thrust by naval forces deep into the Japanese zone of the Pacific Ocean. Heavy damage was done by a bombardment of the Greenwich Island Group, which lies about 400 miles north-east of Rabaul in New Britain and about the same distance south-east of Truk.

JAPS ON ADMIRALTY FACE ANNIHILATION

SYDNEY, April 1.—The complete destruction of the Japanese on the Admiralty islands is now only a matter of time, according to to-day's dispatch from New Guinea. The surviving Japanese in the Admiralties are now being plastered by 'Spitfires' which were "a surprise packet" of the Allied landing on the island. Supporting the landing of the United States troops, five miles north of Lorengau, large numbers of 'Spitfires' used cannon with great effect and defending breach positions. On Manus Island, where conditions favour the defenders, the Japanese are fighting stubbornly. The Allied troops have encircled the Japanese garrison at Los Negros and its destruction is expected soon.—Reuter.

ACCOUNTANT ARRESTED

MADRAS April 2: Defalcations to the extent of about Rs. 50,000 have been discovered in the Stamps Department of the Madras Taluk Office by the Crime Branch of the City Police. An accountant in charge of sales of stamps was arrested yesterday and remanded to custody. Stamps of the value of about Rs 20,000 have also been recovered.—A. P.

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the war map of the Assam-Burma front to-day.

JAPS CUT ROAD TO MANIPUR

In the early hours of this morning a Japanese force descending from the Naga hills east of the Manipur road and cut the road 30 miles north of Imphal. A little further south along the road the enemy blew up a bridge and retired back into the Naga Hills.

This last 90-mile stretch of the road between Kohima and Imphal forms the link between the two of the bases of the 14th Army. The bridge is being speedily repaired by our forces constantly under enemy mortar fire.

North-east of Imphal the Ukhrul road sector was fairly quiet to-day.

Japanese forces in this sector after reaching almost the edge of the Imphal plain, now seem to be diverting to the northern sector spreading into the Naga Hills east of the Manipur Road, thus increasing the menace to the road itself.

In the south of the Tiddim road our forces have been able to get out 95 per cent of their motor transport, while we cleared another road block. South-east of Imphal, the enemy has laid a new road block at Thengupal, six to seven miles south of Palel, while a certain amount of shelling took place at two points on the road.—A.P.

"DIED IN HOUR OF TRIUMPH"

CALCUTTA, April 2: An order of the day has been issued to Gen. Wingate's forces by Lord Louis Mountbatten according to S. E. A. C. newspaper in the course of which it is said: "Gen. Wingate has been killed in the hour of his triumph. The Allies have lost one of the most forceful and dynamic personalities that this war has produced.

"He has lit the torch. Together we must grasp it and carry it forward".—A. P.

Allied Ship Sunk In Indian Ocean

Axis Submarine Hauls Up Engineer, Machine-guns & Kills Him

DURBAN, April 1: After sinking an Allied merchantman in the Indian Ocean, enemy sailors hauled the ship's second engineer and gunner on the deck of their submarine and turned machine-gun on them killing the engineer.

This is disclosed by one of four young British seamen, all on their maiden voyage who with other survivors were picked up and brought to Durban after four days on a raft.

The merchantman was torpedoed and sank in two minutes. There was no time to launch life-boats.—Reuter.

ENEMY'S INCREASED ACTIVITIES

Allies' Hands To Be Full In Indian Ocean And Bay?

COLOMBO April 2.

Air Officer Commanding the South-East Asia Command, Air Chief Marshal Sir Richard Peirse who, it was officially disclosed to-day, recently made an inspection tour of Ceylon, told R. A. F. and Royal Canadian Air Force units stationed on the island that "the enemy is increasing his activities in the Indian Ocean and the Bay of Bengal. You will soon have plenty to do".—A. P.

FR. RESISTANCE CONGRESS

ZURICH April 1.

The French Supreme Resistance Council and National Resistance Council held a Congress somewhere in France this week to unify the attitude and policy of the various resistance groups on the eve of the invasion, say reports reaching here from well-informed sources.

The Congress which was attended by delegates from all parts of the country demanded immediate "de jure" recognition of the French Committee of National Liberation as the sole legal representative of the French people; the assurance that French territory when liberated will be administered by the Auglers Committee and not an Allied military authority; and the trial and conviction of all war criminals in Allied hands as a deterrent to further war crimes.

Partisan delegates who hitherto have had no contact with the Resistance Councils were at the conference.—Reuter.

Reshuffle In French Liberation Committee?

ALGIERS April 2: An immediate reshuffle of posts in the French Committee of National Liberation is expected here in the event of probable inclusion of Communist representatives in the Committee. The expected changes are connected with an extraordinary meeting of Committee held last night following a day of political talks with Gen. De Gaulle. It is believed that several members of the Committee may resign.

LONDON April 2: A Paris radio commentator said to-day that relatives and friends of members of the French Committee of National Liberation would be shot in France as reprisals for the Pucheu and Col Christofini trials. "Communists in Algiers will not be perturbed by this development, but there are men in the French Committee of National Liberation in Algiers who will shudder when they hear that their relatives friends and supporters have been shot", he declared.—Reuter.

BRAVE DEEDS OF INDIAN AMBULANCE

From A. K. Qureshi, Special Correspondent of the 'Associated Press of India' with Indian troops in Italy wires:—

Stories of collective and individual bravery by men of the Twenty-sixth Indian Field Ambulance stand out against the recent bloody battle for Cassino. These men evacuated the wounded from the slopes of Monastery Hill in circumstances more difficult than any so far encountered in this war.

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hill country free movement is comparatively easy. This was illustrated by one bearded British officer, who with his small force operated for some time under the noses of Japs on the very banks of the Chindwin and took many marching days to reach his base in Imphal.

ENEMY ROUTED IN LABAN AREA

NEW YORK, April 1: The Japanese have been routed in a battle by Chinese and American forces in the Laban area of North Burma said an official Chinese announcement broadcast by Chungking radio and picked up here to-day. The Japanese counter-offensive aimed at cutting the new highway at Laban has thus failed. The announcement said that 300 Japanese have been killed. The Chinese and American troops have crossed a river at two square miles of Japanese positions. Counter-attacks were repulsed with mortar fire. The report added that upto Wednesday last a total of 5,000 Japanese had been killed in the Hukawng and Moguang valleys of Northern Burma.

ARAKAN FRONT, April 2: Since December 1 units of the Royal Indian Navy's Arakan coastal forces have steamed more than 30,000 operational miles on 43 separate missions in enemy waters, says a press-note.—A. P.

CONCENTRATION IN NAGA HILLS INCREASES

IMPHAL FRONT, March 31: The Japanese concentration north of Imphal and east of the Manipur road is increasing, says Mr. D. R. Mankekar, "Associated Press" of Indian War Correspondent. The enemy has infiltrated to a second point on the Manipur Road, 30 miles north of the place where they cut the road yesterday. This infiltration is approximately halfway between Imphal and Dimapur and about 28 miles south of Kohima. As the Japanese forces are thinning in the Ukhrul road sector north-east of Imphal the enemy concentration in the Naga Hills east of the Manipur road is increasing. The Manipur road is menaced beyond 31 miles from Imphal by the enemy mortaring from hills on the east.

No activity is reported to-day from the Ukhrul sector. In the south-east and south of Imphal, namely Tamu and Tiddim roads the situation is static.—A. P.

JAPANESE PRESSURE TOWARDS KOHIMA

Enemy Concentration In Naga Hills Increases: Counter-Attacks Repulsed

NEW DELHI, April 2.

On the Arakan front there is no important change, says to-day's Allied war communique.

Near the eastern tunnel on the Maungdaw-Buthidaung road there was an exchange of mortar fire. South of Buthidaung a minor Japanese attack on one of our positions was repulsed with loss to the enemy.

On March 31 there was only minor activity on the roads from Imphal to Tiddim and Tamu. On the Tiddim road our artillery dispersed a body of the enemy while our patrols have been searching out enemy dispositions.

In the Tamu area our troops had two small encounters with the Japanese which resulted in additional casualties to the enemy. There is no important change in the Ukhrul area.

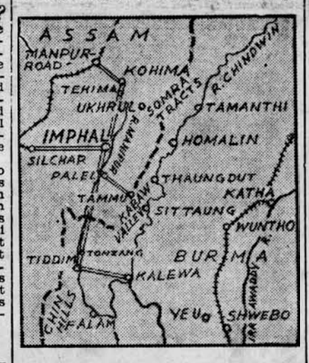
To the north of this area enemy pressure continues to the west and north-west in the direction of Kohima.

Small parties of the enemy have now infiltrated to points on the Imphal-Kohima road and are being engaged by our troops.

In the face of Japanese artillery fire, Chinese forces in the Upper Mogaung Valley continue to push the enemy southward, west of the road in the Labak area. Chinese units have crossed the Namsang Hka forcing the enemy to withdraw. Enemy stragglers are being mopped up north-west of Shaduzup and also east of Jambu Bum. On the east flank, Chinese forces are well south of Shaduzup.

On the Sumprabum-Mytikyina road, our troops continue pushing south in contact with the retreating Japanese.

Heavy bombers of the Strategic Air Force, Eastern Air Command, on April 1/2 attacked the Kemmendine railway station at Rangoon. A large explosion was observed south of the town, followed by a large fire.



R.A.F. and I.A.F. dive-bombers, fighter-bombers and fighters of the Tactical Air Force attacked various targets and military objectives in the Arakan and north-West Burma areas.

Several hundred offensive sorties were made against the Japanese on the Central Burma front. There was no enemy opposition, and one Japanese aircraft, which approached the Imphal area, quickly turned away.

Long-range fighters maintained their offensive against enemy communications, in South and Central Burma, strafing bridges and road and river transport.

From all these operations two Allied aircraft are missing.

2,600 Japs Killed

IMPHAL FRONT, March 30.—Latest figures available indicate that the enemy casualties so far in the present operations reckoning from March 8 number 2,600 killed alone excluding those killed in air action.

North of Imphal takes the lead in

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Enemy's Tactics Revealed?

ASSAM-BURMA FRONT

The third head of the Jap Gorgon-like offensive into the hills ranges to the east of Imphal has revealed itself. The spotlight is temporarily switched from the Tiddim and Tamu battle fronts on to the Naga Hills in what may be called the "Battle of Imphal."

According to the Japs this battle should have been over already. Actually it is probably only just beginning. Only a short time ago mention of roads in this part of the world meant either famous ribbon-like stretch between Imphal and Tiddim and its less famous sister the Tamu Road. Now a third has come into the picture, and in Imphal now there are signposts directing one to Ukhrul in the Naga Hills.

Some Jap forces succeeded in penetrating into the Chin Hills and have cut the road in several places—a move more spectacular and nuisance-like than militarily effective, for their road cutting parties are being liquidated with much loss of Jap lives.

THE ENEMY'S TACTICS

Having failed to capture Tamu or its close neighbour, Noreh, or to gain control of the Tamu Road, the Japs have plunged their effort into the Naga Hills. Their objectives appear to be a descent into the Imphal plain and the cutting of the road from Imphal to Kohima. The whole pattern of the Jap move is crescent-shaped and designed to invest Imphal via Tiddim in the south, Tamu in the south-east, and from Ukhrul in the north-east.

By beginning in the south—by far the longest and hardest route—the Japs no doubt hoped to distract attention and deflect forces from the Naga Hills areas. That they were unsuccessful was due to some most energetic and informative patrolling by Scottish troops and the frontier force regiment, combined with air reconnaissance by the R.A.F. These forces moved freely down to and across the Chindwin and reported a "pile up" of men and material around the Thaungdut area. The R. A. F. reported a build-up of river-craft, and it also became known that the Jap was diligently making roads in the Thaungdut-Homalin area—roads motorable down to the banks of the river. The actual Jap crossings took place at some half a dozen places around Thaungdut-Homalin and a few miles further north. His thirst for ground, even hilly ground seemed so insatiable that he pressed on regardless of casualties. His determination was expensive.

JAPS' SHORTEST ROUTE TO IMPHAL

From Himalin to the Kohima Road is, as the crow flies, about 60 miles, marching over hill and through valley makes the journey considerably longer. Even so it is the Japs' shortest route to Imphal, for on the west bank of the Chindwin, between Thaungdut and Homalin, there is a motorable road winding up to Ukhrul. This village in the Naga Hills is now the focal point in this campaign. Fighting in this area and along the road has been fierce. One company of a Punjabi battalion was attacked eight times in one night by considerable numbers of Japs. Every attack was repulsed. Their battalion defending a "box", containing food and other supplies was besieged for four days, and succeeded in saving most of their precious supplies and killing some 200 Japs.

Other forces in the hills report successful action. It is possible that the Ukhrul area is not the only one in which Japs are operating for in this

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STATUTORY PRICES OF WHEAT

Government Of India Fixes Maximum

NEW DELHI, April 2: In order to give practical shape to their intention to safeguard the interests of producers, while enforcing a strict policy of statutory price control in the interests of consumers, the Government of India have decided to announce their willingness to accept all wheat of fair average quality offered for sale in the main assembling markets of the Punjab, U. P. and Sind at a price of *Rs.* 7-8 per maund, should prices fall, says a press "communique".

This decision anticipates the publication by the Governments of the main producing areas, after consultation with the Government of India of notifications under the Defence of India Rules, announcing the statutory maximum prices above which it will be an offence to buy or sell wheat in wholesale markets for the next 12 months. The statutory maximum prices so fixed follow the recommendations of the Price Advisory Committee, the Government of India's offer holds good until further notice and in any case for a period of not less than 12 months from the date of this announcement. Details of the terms of purchase and the centres at which this offer will be implemented as well as of agents who will receive grain tendered for sale, will be published shortly.—A. P

"Dhoti-Jama", A New Apparel

WARDHA, March 31.

The All-India Village Industry Association has evolved a new apparel described as the 'dhoti-jama', which is a combination of 'dhoti' and pyjama. The size of the apparel is that of a dhoti but a few stitches convert it into a pyjama, one dhoti making two pyjamas. Mr. Lal Arjunsingh, M.L.A. is the originator of the new idea.—United Press.

PLIGHT OF COTTON-GROWERS OF INDIA

(From Our Correspondent)

AHMEDABAD, April 2

"It is well-known that when war broke out the Government of the United Kingdom went to the assistance of the Egyptian farmer in order that we may not suffer due to restricted purchases of Egyptian cotton, though the prices of cotton slumped in our country to a considerable extent the welfare of our agriculturist was no concern to the present Government."

Thus observed Sheth Kasturbhai Lalbhai when interviewed by our correspondent.

Sheth Kasturbhai further opined when much hue and cry was raised against this attitude the Government of India came forward with the additional import duty of one anna per pound on foreign cotton. Then prices of Indian cotton rose. The Government of India intervened with fixing bottom and ceiling prices. Since then though the poor farmer is realising 65 or 75 per cent of fixed bottom prices it is nobody's business to come to his succour. Meanwhile more five crores of rupees have accumulated in the Treasury of Government by the imposition of the extra duty on foreign cotton.

5th U. S. War Loan

WASHINGTON, April 2: The Secretary of the United States Treasury, Mr. Henry Morgenthau, announced tonight that the goal of the fifth United States war loan will be 16,000 million dollars.

The drive for the loan will start on June 12 and will continue for one month.—Reuter.

DINAJPUR April 2: It is reported that 60 families in a village have been rendered homeless due to a disastrous fire which gutted about 300 houses.—United Press.

Indian Workers' Representative To Philadelphia Conference

DANGE ON WHY GOVT. DID NOT SELECT TRADE UNION CONGRESS NOMINEE

Mr. P. C. Joshi writes:—

Mr. S. A. Dange, President of the All-India Trade Union Congress, when interviewed by the correspondent of the "Daily Worker", London, issued the following statement to the foreign Press regarding Government of India's nomination to the Philadelphia Conference—

"The Government of India have nominated for the forthcoming International Labour Conference to be held at Philadelphia on April 20 representatives suggested by the Indian Federation of Labour and turned down the recommendations made by the All-India Trade Union Congress. In justification of this, the Government, in its 'Press Communique', say that they have no machinery to examine which of the two organisations is most representative of the workers in India and have, therefore, nominated persons suggested by the Indian Federation of Labour. If the absence of such a machinery were the only reason, then the Government should have maintained the 'status quo' and accepted T. U. C.'s nominees. Because ever since its foundation in 1920, except for a brief period, it is the T. U. C. which has been representing Indian workers at the Conference. Having learnt of the rival claims to the I. F. L., the T.U.C. wrote to the Government as far back as January 5th challenging the I.F.L.'s representative character and invited an impartial investigation on this question. But the Government refused to move in the matter and set aside T.U.C.'s claim which the latter maintains on the basis of its largest membership, tradition and unquestioned prestige. It is, therefore, clear that other reasons than the one given out governed Government's policy.

"Since the outbreak of the war, Government have done everything to create difficulties in the way of workers' representatives, who hold views inconvenient to the bureaucracy, going to the I. L. O. and especially to America. In 1941 they refused to accept the representative suggested by the T. U. C. unless the T. U. C. nominated the same person whom it had recommended in 1940, but who then had ceased to represent the T. U. C. viewpoint, but suited Government's policy better. Mr. N. M. Joshi also was denied travelling facilities to New York to attend the session of the Governing Body of the I. L. O.

"Now that a rival has been set up, Government have hastened to admit its claims to represent Indian workers though on Government's own admission, they have made no examination of the validity of its claim that it is an organisation embracing a far larger number of organised workers than are in the A.-I. T. U. C.

"Anyone conversant with the Indian political developments can see that the Government's present decision was guided by political consideration rather than by its own organisational incapacity.

"It is well-known here that the guiding spirits of the Federation are men who have done their worst to disrupt the working-class movement in India, to disrupt and malign the National Congress; they do not want release of national leaders and settlement of the Indian problem on the basis of National Government and Hindu-Muslim unity, they do not want that the Indian working-class should take its place in the country's movement for freedom. Their highest ideal of democracy is a place in the Viceroy's Executive Council.

"The T.U.C., on the other hand, while reiterating its anti-Fascist standpoint, has always maintained that to enthuse the people their claims should be satisfied, that to imprison a whole national leadership is wrong, and if the country is to be saved, bureaucratic methods of rule must cease and people's co-operation taken.

"I think the Government of India do not like representatives holding such a viewpoint going to America and placing their views before the I.L.O., especially when this year the I.L.O. Conference is going to elect its new Governing Body and also to consider such important subjects as its own future status and re-organisation, and problems of post-war construction.

"The Government of India, therefore, has seen to it that to speak on behalf of Indian Labour, people are chosen who are most representative of anything but of the working class of this country."

Dr. B. C. Roy's Appeal For Medical Relief For Bengal

NEW DELHI, April 1

Speaking at a meeting held this evening, Dr. B. C. Roy, Chairman of the Medical Relief Co-Ordination Board, made an appeal for medical relief in Bengal in the shape of funds for personnel. Dr. Shaukat Ullah Ansari presided.

The distress in Bengal, he said 'should evoke country-wide response. India is one organic whole. If one of its limbs is afflicted, the other will equally suffer.'

Speaking of the present situation in Bengal, Dr. Roy stated that hunger of the people had been appeased to a great extent by the relief work done by various organisations.

He appealed for immediate medical relief to mitigate the sufferings of the people, due to epidemics. A resolution, moved by the President, appealing to the citizens of Delhi to give a befitting response to the call of Bengal's suffering humanity was unanimously passed.—A. P.

RUSSIA ASKS CONTINUANCE OF LEND-LEASE AID? Piquant Situation Due To U. S. Demand For Undertaking?

LONDON, April 1, (delayed): The "Sunday Observer's" diplomatic correspondent understands that Russia has asked the United States to continue the Lend-Lease Aid for three years after the close of hostilities in Europe. "The American Government in response to this request is said to have asked for an undertaking that Russia will co-operate fully with the Western Powers in waging the war against Japan," the correspondent says.

On this question of her relations with Japan, Moscow has been reluctant however to make any definite commitment. The result is that Washington has so far deferred giving a definite reply to the Russian Lend-Lease request, and is now considering what policy to adopt, should the Russians remain unwilling to pledge their support in the war against Japan."—Reuter.

MUSLIMS NOT GETTING FAIR DEAL

Jinnah Urges Setting Up Of League Branches Throughout Punjab

LAHORE, April 2: The possibility of Mr. Jinnah shortly taking up permanent residence in Lahore was indicated by the Nawab of Mamdot introducing the League President at a public meeting this evening.

Addressing the meeting in Hindustani, Mr. Jinnah criticised the standard of public life in the Punjab and said that while the Hindu and Sikh Ministers had declared that they were in the Ministry to safeguard the interests of their respective Communities the Muslim Ministers did not possess the courage to come forward and say that they represented the Mussalmans. During his fortnight's stay in Lahore he had found that the condition of Mussalmans was most deplorable in every department, and they were not getting a fair deal. The only remedy for this state of affairs, he said, was to strengthen the Muslim League in every district in the Punjab so that true well-wishers of the Mussalmans should be returned to the Legislature during the next general elections. He appealed to the Mussalmans to become two-anna members of the League and establish primary branches of the League all over the province.

Mr. Jinnah repudiated the suggestion that the Muslim League was a body of Nawabs and Landlords, and declared that it was the people's party, every Mussalman having a right to become its member.

PUNJAB THE KEYSTONE

Dealing with the suggestion that he should not carry on any propaganda for Pakistan in the Punjab, as the Punjab was with the League in All-India matters only, Mr. Jinnah said that the League was fighting for the establishment of Pakistan not in Bombay but in the Punjab, which was the keystone of the proposed Pakistan State. He hoped that the Hindus, who did not accept their demand to-day, would do so to-morrow and was glad that their Sikh friends had already begun to appreciate the Muslim viewpoint though they were not prepared to give expression to it publicly.

After Mr. Jinnah's speech, Sardar Shaukat Hyat Khan, Minister of Public Works, addressing the gathering said that the Premier of the Punjab had already made a declaration expressing his full faith in the League's ideal of Pakistan, and he hoped that the Mussalmans of the Punjab would not lag behind their brethren in the other provinces in their efforts for its achievement.—A. P.

Security Prisoners Served With Charges

ALLAHABAD, April 2: It is reliably learnt that with five exceptions, nearly 31 security prisoners now confined in the Naini Central Prison have been served wtih charges. It is said that amongst the exceptions are Mr. Lal Bahadur Shastri, M.L.A. and Mr. Kamla Pati Pripathi, M.L.A.—A. P.

Release Political Leaders

The "Hitavada" writes:

"The representation (Editors' letter to the Viceroy) is self-explanatory. It has not been drafted and signed by partisans of the Congress. It bears the signatures of many who do not owe allegiance to the Congress cause. It is a tragedy that such an appeal should have fallen on deaf ears. We would once again urge on the Government the need of releasing our political leaders. Their present policy will lead them nowhere and will only destroy such little faith as there is in British intentions.

DR. GOPICHAND'S PAROLE EXTENDED

LAHORE, March 29: It is understood that the Punjab Government have decided to extend the period of parole of Dr. Gopichani Bhargava, former leader of the Opposition in the Punjab Assembly, which expires on March 31. Dr. Bhargava who was recently operated upon in Sir Gangaram Hospital is progressing satisfactorily.—A. P.

THREE TEXTILE WORKERS ARRESTED

NAGPUR, April 2: Three Textile workers of Nagpur were arrested last evening under D. I. R. 34 (1).—United Press.

ORISSA JOURNALISTS CONFERENCE

NAGPUR, April 2: Mr. A. D. Mani, Editor of "Hitavada" will preside over the Orissa Journalists' Conference to be held at Cuttack on the 4th and 5th instant.—United Press.

SEODAS DAGA GOES BACK TO JAIL

JUBBULPORE, April 2: Seth Seodas Daga, M.L.A. (Central), and a security prisoner, who was released on parole about two months back from the Central Jail Vellore, to see his ailing daughter at Raipur arrived to-day at Jubbulpore and surrendered himself to the jail authorities after the expiry of the parole.—United Press

SEARCH FOR BANNED BOOK

CALCUTTA April 2: The Special Branch police searched the Burman Publishing House at Central Calcutta and took away copies of a proscribed book. The police also searched the house of the proprietor, Publishing House Press wherein the book was printed and two or three other places.—United Press.

China Sets Up New Cultural Movement

CHUNGKING, March 16

Guenther Stein, "Christian Science Monitor" correspondent, reports the first official announcement of a government-sponsored "Central Cultural Movement", involving new codes of social conduct, artistic development and political attitudes for the people of China.

"The movement," he writes, "will seek to set up new theoretical systems of philosophy, social sciences, art and literature on a basis of Dr. Sun Yat Sen's Three Principles and to expand China's traditional cultural spirit by a revaluation of the writings and inventions of former centuries.

"The general points of the programme are: to set up a system of education based upon the union of military and non-military sciences and the combination of the virtues with the intellect; to formulate systems of rites, music and dress suitable to the needs of the nation and the present age; to promote the development of existing religious, economic and social organisations, in accordance with the present age.

"Social reconstruction is chiefly intended according to Chiang Kai-shek's own definitions that lay down the regulations governing everyday life and action of all elements of society."—U.S.O.W.I.

All-India Khattri (Kshatriya) Conference will be held at Amraoti (Berar) on 8th and 9th inst. under the presidentship of Rai Bahadur Capt. Ram Rakha Mal Bhandari and the opening ceremony of the Conference will be performed by Rao Bahadur Maganlal Dalpatram Khakhar.

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Prof. Moulvi On Need For Technicians

Professor A. M. Moulvi in course of his lecture at the Bandra Gymkhana on Thursday said: "The market value of a graduate has today suddenly risen from Rs. 40 to Rs 140 p. m. This is the result of the Rationing Department the Supply Department and several other Departments which have come into existence because of the war. Bear in mind that it is a temporary rise. At the end of the war all these departments will be automatically closed and when thousands and thousands of graduates who have been absorbed by these departments will be thrown out of jobs. There will be a sudden fall in their price. It requires no stretch of imagination to foresee the fate of the fresh graduates who will have to compete with thousands of experienced hands.

Is it not high time for the parents, he said, to switch off their boys to the technical line and mould them to suit the requirements of the times? Militarisation and industrialisation are the needs of the country, but Matriculation still seems to be the fashion of the day.

In these abnormal times when middle class people with fixed wages are hard hit by high prices and find it difficult to make both ends meet, will it not be better and more profitable for them to send their boys to the various Government of India Technical Centres where they are paid for learning a trade and are well lodged and clothed and fed instead of their paying for the education which promises no career?

SIND GOVT. FIXES MAXIMUM PRICES

KARACHI, April 2: The Government of Sind have fixed the maximum selling price of wheat at Rs. 9-8 per maund, excluding the gunny bag and at Rs. 9-13 per maund including the gunny bag in the whole of the province, except in the Karachi rationed area. The order comes into force from April 3, states a press note issued to-day.

With the increase in the prices of wheat by over Re. 1-8 per maund by the Sind Government it is expected the wheat supplies which had not been coming into the market as freely as was desired will now be available in large guantities

The maximum prices of gram and barley have also been raised, these being, respectively, Rs. 7-10 per maund and Rs. 7-11 per maund.—A. P.

Increased Dearness Allowances

The Director of Information, Bombay, writes:—

At present Government servants serving in Bombay City, Ahmedabad City and Bombay Suburban District and drawing up to Rs. 150 a month are eligible for the allowance. Those drawing below Rs. 40 a month receive Rs. 11 a month and those drawing Rs. 40 or more receive Rs. 14 a month.

The pay-limit has now been raised to Rs. 250, and those drawing less than Rs. 40 a month will now receive the allowance at the rate of Rs. 14 and those drawing Rs. 40 or more will receive Rs. 18 a month.

The pay-limit for Government servants in the rest of the Province has similarly been raised, from Rs. 120 to Rs. 200 a month. Employees drawing less than Rs. 40 a month will be entitled to the allowance at the rate of Rs. 11 a month while those drawing higher pay will receive Rs. 14 a month, instead of the present rates of Rs. 8 and Rs. 10 a month.

Marginal allowances will be given to those drawing more than Rs. 250 in Bombay City, Ahmedabad City and Bombay Suburban District and Rs. 200 in the mofussil to ensure that they do not receive less than Rs. 268 and Rs. 214 a month respectively.

These orders take effect from January 1 and will continue in force until further notice. All whole-time Government servants are eligible for the allowance.

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To-day's Engagements

TEA PARTY: At Taj 5 p.m. to Sk. Md. Din Haji Kadarbakhsh on appointment as J. P

BHARATIYA VIDYA BHAVAN: Prof. R. G. Gyani, on 'Buddhistic Sculpture in Gandhara' 7-15 p.m. The lecture will be illustrated by magic lantern slides

PERSIAN POETS AND SUFIISM: Mr. Mohamed Yusufuddin of Hyderabad on "Persian Poets and Sufiism" at 6-15 p.m. at Mazdaznan Hall, opp Churchgate Station.

BOMBAY MUNICIPAL CORPORATION: There will be "No Meeting" of the Corporation to-day (Monday). The "Next Meeting" will be held on Monday (10th inst.), at 2 p.m. (B. T.)

INDIAN MERCHANTS' CHAMBER: Mr. M. A Master has been re-elected as the representative of the Indian Merchants' Chamber, Bombay, on the Governing Body of the I. M. M. T. S. "Dufferin" for a further term of two years commencing from April, 1944.

"C" WARD RATIONING: A Sub-Office of the "C" Ward Rationing Office will be opened at Keshav Baug, Princess Street, from to-day (Monday). The existing "A" Ward Sub-Office situated opposite Sir J. J. School of Art is being discontinued from that date. But persons who have already applied at "A" Sub-Office will receive their cards at the discontinued "A" Sub-Office upto 10th inst. The new "C" Ward Sub-Office however, will accept forms from the residents of "A" Ward also.

Lecture On 'Buddhistic Sculpture In Gandhara"

Prof. R. G. Gyani, M.A., will deliver a lecture on 'Buddhistic Sculpture in Gandhara' at the Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan at 7-15 p.m. on April 3. The lecture will be illustrated by magic lantern slides

CLASSES ON ASTROLOGY

The Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan in co-operation with the Bombay Astrological Society is holding regular classes on Sayana and Nirayana, Astrology and Astronomy every Sunday from 4-6 p.m. Students are coached up for special examinations to be held by the Bhavan on this subject.

Those desirous of joining the classes should see the Secretary on any Sunday evening.

MRS. KAMALADEVI ARRIVES IN BOMBAY

BOMBAY, Sunday.

Beaming with smiles Mrs. Kamaladevi Chatopadhyaya, President-elect of the All-India Women's Conference alighted from the Poona Express on Sunday morning.

A fitting reception was accorded to the visitor at the Victoria Terminus, by the members of the Reception Committee of the A.-I. W. C. Representatives of the Bombay Students' Union were also present at the station to receive her.

Reception To A.-I. W. C. President

A reception will be given to Mrs. Vijayaluxmi Pandit, outgoing President, Mrs. Kamaladevi Chattopadhyaya, incoming President of the All-India Women's Conference, and Mrs. Sarojini Naidu by the Bombay Branch Central Committee of the A. I W. C. at 5 p.m. at Dadar Bhagini Samaj Hall Hindu Colony.

Mrs. Vijayaluxmi Pandit will be accorded another reception by the Bombay Bengalee Mahila Samity at the Anglo-Bengali High School, Moor Baugh Road, Naigaum, Bombay, at 6-15 p.m.

Hind Mahila Samaj

On Monday last the opening ceremony of Free Reading Room and Library was performed by Shreemati Sophia Wadia at Cutch Castle Girgaum, Mrs. Avantikabai while introducing the president observed that Sati Savitri saved her husband Satyavan's life from Yama once but Kasturba saved Bapuji's life from Yama many a time, Srimati Sophia when in her speech stressed the importance of books in gaining knowledge, and asked the audience to make good use of the library.

She then unveiled the portrait of Kasturba.

GOLDEN JUBILEE OF THANA MARATHI GRANTHA SANGRAHALAYA

The Committee of the Thana Marathi Grantha Sangrahalaya Jubilee have issued an appeal for a sum of Rs. 5,000 to provide for the proper upkeep of the vast and valuable collection of books it has made during the last 50 years. The golden jubilee of this well-known institution is to be celebrated for three days in the month of May. Donations may be sent to the Secretaries, C/o The Station Road, Reading Room Branch of the Sangrahalaya, Thana.

EXCHANGE BANK OF INDIA AND AFRICA LTD.

The first ordinary general meeting of the shareholders of the Exchange Bank of India and Africa Ltd. was held on Friday at 18, Sir Pherozshah Mehta Road, Fort, Bombay, when the Officiating Chairman Mr. Fakirmahommed C. L. Sajun submitted to the meeting duly audited balance sheet and the profit and loss account of the Bank for the period ended 31st December 1943. In reviewing the progress of the Bank Mr. Sajun said that since the commencement of the activities of the Bank at Bombay on 5th March, 1943 it had established seven branch offices in Bombay as well as in different provinces and the number of accounts, deposits and the working Funds had increased by 499, Rs. 76,00,000 and Rs 91,00,000 respectively. The Subscribed and the Paid up Capital of the Bank have also increased to Rs 40 27,300 and Rs. 19,-00,325 respectively

Indore-Dewas (Sr). Agreement

(From Our Correspondent.)

INDORE (By Mail..

The agreement between the Indore State and the Dewas State (Sr.) relating to co-operative measures in connection with the Judiciary and Police, which has received the consent of H. E. the Crown Representative and which is in force since the 1st November 1941, has been now released for general information by the Maharaja of Indore. The agreement, it is learnt, was not published through an oversight uptill now.

This arrangement in the first instance would be in force for a period of three years at the end of which it may be renewed with the consent of both the parties. It may be stated that this arrangement in the co-operative field does not involve any dependent jurisdiction politically, constitutionally or judicially. The arrangement will be binding personally on the present Ruler of Dewas (Sr.) only and the successor of the present Ruler should not have his discretion to accept or revoke it fettered in any way.

WHAT POLAND HAS DONE FOR CULTURE AND LEARNING

BOMBAY, Friday.

Mr. Francis Zek, noted Polish scholar and author, spoke this evening at the Sir C. J. Hall on "Poland's contribution to world culture and learning."

The speaker said that Poland had survived through the ages, for she had brought into life something unique, spiritual and constructive, for the collective good of mankind. Without this the greatest empires which depended on brute force were doomed to ultimate oblivion.

The historic role of Poland consisted in her having evolved a tradition of individual liberty and complete racial and religious toleration.

The speaker then mentioned the names and gave brief sketches of famous Poles, who had enriched science, music and literature.

From Copernicus, to Madam Curtie the Noble Prize winner, Poland had produced famous scientists, some of whom had done notable work for the curing of diseases like tuberculosis.

Musicians and composers like Chopin and Pederewsky were the acknowledged Savants in classical European music.

In conclusion, the speaker hoped that Peace would come again soon to Europe, so that Poland could do her bit for humanity.

KWAG Dances

KWAG (know the World Affairs Group) has arranged the Indian and Polish folk-dances and songs and 'Bharat Natyam' by Ram Gopal to promote the Indo-Polish Cultural Fraternisation at 6 p.m. (N. S. T.) on Wednesday the 5th of April 1944 at Blavatsky Lodge Hall, near French Bridge. Mr M. R. A. Baig will preside.

MAYOR'S CHURCHGATE RECLAMATION HOUSE COLLAPSE RELIEF: A meeting of the donors to the Mayor's Churchgate Reclamation House Collapse Relief Fund will be held in the Municipal Corporation Hall on Thursday, the 6th April, 1944 at 6 p.m. (N S T) to consider the question of establishing out of the residual amount remaining after the distribution of relief of a Special Emergency Relief Fund to meet any unforeseen calamity in the City.

"All donors to the Fund are invited to be present."

FRIENDS OF SOVIET UNION: The Friends of the Soviet Union have invited the President, delegates, members of the Reception Committee and distinguished visitors to the All-India Women's Conference to see the Soviet film "She Defends Her Country," the heroic story of a woman guerilla fighter, to be shown at the Roxy Theatre on Friday, 7th April, from 10 to 11-30 a.m. F. S. U. members are requested to take their invitations from the office.

Grow More Food In Russia

(From A Special Correspondent)

MOSCOW, March 30: A decision on the plan of agricultural work and increasing the yield in 1944 has been adopted by the Council of the People's Commissars, U.S.S.R. and the Central Committee of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union. This decision provides for the increase of 19 million acreage of all crops as compared to the last year. This does not include areas freed from the enemy during 1943-44. The main grain acreage will thus be expanded by approximately 13.6 million acres.

Extensive measures for the raising of the yield of all crops, including grain, cotton and sugar beet, are outlined in the decision.

MONUMENT TO COMPOSER

The Soviet Government made a special decision regarding the perpetuation of the memory of the celebrated Russian composer, Nikolai A. Rimsky-Korsakov. It provides for the publication of a complete academic edition of the works of the composer, the creation of a Rimsky-Korsakov monument in Leningrad, the naming of the Leningrad Conservatory of Music after him and setting up a museum in Tikhvin in the house where the composer was born and lived. According to this decision, Rimsky-Korsakov scholarships will be established at the conservatories of Leningrad, Moscow, Sverdlovsk and Kiev for the most gifted students and composers of the faculty; films to be produced on the life and work of the composer's and life pension to be granted to his two sons, daughter and grand-daughter.

SURAT DIST. CO-OP. BANK'S BRANCH OPENED

Declaring open of a branch of the Surat District Co-operative Bank at Surat on Saturday last Mr. K. G. Saraiya of Messrs. Narandas Rajaram & Co., and Chairman of the Bombay Provincial Co-operative Bank suggested that the said Bank was one of the best managed co-operative banks in the Presidency and had very large surplus of funds but could not use them for co-operative work. He wished the Branch Bank to effect amelioration of the conditions of the backward tribes. In conclusion Mr. Saraiya said the Bank and the Purchase and Sales Union can help the growth of the co-operative movement for the uplift of the Rani Paraj.

Dewan Bahadur C. M. Gandhi, Chairman of the Bank welcomed the guests.

A.-I. MUSLIM EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCE

(From A Correspondent.)

ALIGARH, April 1: Sir Azizul Haque, Commerce Member, Government of India has been elected President of the 53rd Annual Session of the All-India Muslim Educational Conference at Jubbulpore to be held on April 16, 17 and 18. An All-India Urdu Mushaira will also be held.

ADARSH VIDYALAYA

Mr. Gangaram Sharma, President, Rashtrya Shiksha Samiti writes:—

Students appearing in May, 1944, in the Punjab University, Lahore for Hindi Rattan, Bhushan, Prabhakar, examinations may note that the Principal Adarsh Vidyalaya (King's Circle Matunga) will arrange free coaching classes during the day and in the evening according to the convenience of students, with a view to help.

NIZAM'S NEW CHIEF JUSTICE

HYDERABAD (Dn.), April 1: Rajabahadur Bisheshwarnath Wagharath, President of the Judicial Committee of the Nizam's Government to-day assumed office as Chief Justice of the Hyderabad High Court vice-Nawab Mir Alam Yar Jung Bahadur. Nawab Mir Ala Yar Jung has been appointed Judicial and Ecclesiastical Member of the Nizam's Executive Council.—A. P.

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BAN ON USE OF MILK IN ICE-CREAM

An order issued by the Government of Bombay in October, 1943, bans except under a licence:

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(2) the distribution in a public place or sale at any place ice-cream and *kulfi-malai* prepared out of milk, cream, skimmed milk, dried milk or milk powder.

The ban on the use of milk, etc., in the preparation of ice-cream and *kulfi-malai* applies to public places as well as to *PRIVATE HOUSEHOLDS*. This means that milk, etc., *cannot* be used in preparing ice-cream or *kulfi-malai* even for *domestic consumption* in a private household without a permit from the Director of Civil Supplies, Secretariat, Bombay.

ALL-INDIA WEATHER

POONA, April 2.

Following is the weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches recorded at eight hours on 29th March 1944:

Allahabad 84 63 0.3, BOMBAY 81 71 0.1, Calcutta 84 69 0, Cawnpore 82 63 0, Cuttack 80 67 0.7, Delhi 79 58 0.5, Dehra Dun 68 50 0.7, Jacobabad 85 61 0, Karachi 82 70 0, Lahore 70 48 0.2, Lucknow 80 63 0, Madras 90 78 0, Nagpur 90 63 0.1, Patna 85 66 T, Peshawar 60 51 0.3, Shillong 69 51 0, Simla 44 34 0.1.—A. P.

A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

"We Hindus and Musalmans are brothers and inhabitants of one country. Our enemies think that we can never unite. But we will unite much sooner than they expect and together we shall free our country."

—M. A. Jinnah.

The Bombay Chronicle

CONVERGING EFFORTS

Fast moving events in India, particularly the series of defeats inflicted on the Government of India by the Central Legislative Assembly, have naturally roused anxious interest in England about deadlock here. But it appears that the British public is given severely censored and one-sided news about this country. Thus it is clear from our London correspondent's message that the recent letter addressed to the Viceroy by 112 Editors has not yet been cabled to Britain in extenso though it was a brief letter and its importance and represen at ve character is unquestionable. It is amazing that in his reply to questions in Parliament M. Amery admitted his own ignorance of the number of Assembly members in detention. Nor did he care to reply to the question if the majority who defeated Government did not consist of Congress members but non-Congressmen. He had to admit, however, that Congress and League and the Nationalist members combined to vote against Government. The Viceroy's certification of the Finance Bill is one more affront to the Assembly and is bound to increase the resentment in the country. It is something, however, that more and more persons are becoming disillusioned and are coming under Congress influence.

Though the full text of the Editors' letter has not been cabled to England, what little has been cabled is said to include the demand for the release of Congress leaders, and this, it is reported, is regarded by Left Wing newspaper editors in London as sound advice which Lord Wavell should take note of and accept. Meanwhile, a number of influential members of Parliament are understood to have prepared a memorandum outlining a temporary constitutional plan for India for immediate adoption. According to the London correspondent of the "Hindu", the plan leaves open questions about the final constitution and, as suggested by Congress to Sir Stafford Cripps, concerns itself mainly with the war-time Government. All portfolios without exception, it is said, will be vested in the Members of the Executive Council and the Governor-General shall function as the constitutional head of a popular Government, subject to the exercise of his special responsibility relative only to the Armed forces and relations with the States. As regards the personnel of the Council, several alternative ways have been suggested on the basis of a Coalition Cabinet working by agreement, care being taken that the interim Government do not do anything likely to prejudice the final claims of the parties forming the Coalition. As regards the future, the plan is said to have suggested generally a Union of the States and the provinces which will be fully independent, its sovereign power only bound by reciprocal treaty obligations with Britain and other countries. The constituent units shall be autonomous, enjoy an equal status, with the right of secession which is exercisable on the basis of the principles laid down in the Atlantic Charter.

Though it is difficult to comment at length on the plan till fuller and more authoritative information is available, it appears to be a sincere attempt to reconcile the claims of the Congress and the League. If only the interim Cabinet enjoys real power, there will be little difficulty on Congress side with regard to the personnel. Congress has made this point perfectly clear. However, first things must come first. No plan can be generally acceptable unless Congress leaders are free to discuss it. The demand for their release is now made by numerous responsible bodies and individuals in India, the latest among these being the 112 Editors who have written to Lord Wavell. But if the demand is to be effective it must be supported by vigorous and ceaseless agitation all over the country.

Italian Impasse

Welcome clarification of the attitude of the Russian Government towards the Badoglio regime in Italy, which had caused not a little surprise in anti-fascist circles in Allied countries outside the Soviet Union, is now furnished by the "Izvestia", the official Soviet organ. The journal explains that the exchange of representatives with the Badoglio Government "does not mean the establishment of full diplomatic relations' with the latter, but that the step has been prompted by "practical rather than diplomatic" considerations. It points out, with a good deal of truth, that the lack of unity among the Italian elements opposed to Hitlerite Germany is causing things in Italy to drift into an impasse which is bound to affect the Allied cause and the struggle against the enemy. To remedy this state of things, the Soviet Government has proposed to the British and American Governments that while the Badoglio regime might be maintained, it should be broadened by the inclusion of representatives of the Democratic parties in the country and a united national front against Hitlerite Germany should be secured thereby. According to Reuter's London correspondent, the British Government's reply to the Soviet proposal has been communicated to Moscow, but its terms are still to be disclosed. It is to be hoped that an agreement on some such *via media* as proposed by the Russian Government will be reached by all three Allied Governments concerned. Such an agreement will no doubt secure a little longer lease of life for the Badoglio regime than might be desirable from the point of view of the democratic elements in Italy which are striving to free themselves completely and for ever from the incubus of Fascism and Nazism. But, once these elements succeed in achieving unity and solidarity in their own ranks and in obtaining a share in the power which is at present exclusively exercised—in theory at least, if not in practice—by Badoglio and his junta, the time must come sooner or later, by the very force of public opinion in free Italy, when the latter will have to make room for a truly popular and democratic government.

The report that the Italian communist party has decided to propose to the other Opposition parties that they should waive their insistence on King Emmanuel's abdication and proceed forthwith to the formation of a government with the support of all parties, makes revealing reading, inasmuch as this decision of the party has followed in the immediate wake of the return of the leader of the party, Ercoli, from Moscow after an exile of seventeen years. Obviously the party's decision, now announced, must have been greatly influenced by the consultations which Ercoli must have had with Soviet leaders in Moscow. With the adoption by the Soviet Government of a thoroughly "realistic" attitude towards the Italian problem, it is difficult to see how the British and American Governments can fail to fall in a line. The attitude of the latter two Governments towards the Badoglio regime has puzzled the friends and enemies alike of the latter. The two Governments are fully aware that both King Emmanuel and Badoglio are Fascists at heart and also that most of those that have rallied round them were political reactionaries in pre-war times. Though such a junta were made the porteges of the two Allied Governments, the latter have so far refused to recognise them as the *de facto* government of Free Italy. Whether this was due to an apprehension that public opinion in Allied countries would resent such a step or whether it was because Badoglio and his satellites have turned out to be potentially more dangerous enemies of Democracy than they had been suspected to be when were first welcomed into the fold of the Allies, is still difficult to say. It is clear, however, that the two Allied Governments have been on the horns of a dilemma for some time past. The move of the Soviet Government is calculated to render such a position untenable any longer. It is time the British and American Governments gave up their policy of drift, which, while leading the Allies in Italy nowhere, is giving the Germans a very much extended lease of life in that peninsula.

FRANKLY SPEAKING

Wingate's Heroic Legacy

The death in an air-crash of Major-General Wingate removes one of the most dramatic figures of World War II. It is said that this is essentially a war of machines, not men and that, therefore, it is futile to search any longer for a figure of the dimensions of a Napoleon or a Foch. While this is undoubtedly true as far as the Allies are concerned, Wingate provided a brilliant exception to the general rule. His name first came in prominence in the Abyssinian campaign and his admirers—in spite of his protests—nicknamed him the modern Lawrence of Arabia. Subsequently he came to India and last year led his "Circus" deep into the heart of Japanese-occupied Burma. The "Circus" was subjected to the most rigorous and unorthodox training and each man was taught to live off the country and fight on his own. Wingate's professed aim was to beat the Jap at his own game and in that he certainly succeeded brilliantly. This year he undertook a still more ambitious job and recently established an air-borne invading force right behind the Jap lines. This bold strategy promises to pay a fruitful dividend and it is all the more tragic, therefore, that Wingate should have lost his life in this fashion. He has, however, blazed the trail and it is to be hoped that his death will in no way affect the fortunes of the army which he fashioned and led. His lieutenants must maintain the heroic legacy bequeathed by Wingate.

Battle Of Imphal

The Japanese objectives on the Assam Front are gradually revealing themselves. What was originally imagined to be a possible feint of a westward thrust from the Naga Hills towards the plains is seen to be developing itself into a more or less determined and well-planned double-pronged offensive aiming at the investment of Imphal, the capital of Manipur State, from the north, east and south, by cutting off, one by one, all the three important roads leading to it, simultaneously with an attempt to capture Kohima, which is situated north of Imphal and the strategical position of which is of even greater importance than this capital of the State, since the Bengal and Assam Railway line which acts as a feeder to the recently constructed India-China Road in the north—runs at only about 30 miles' distance from this town, the nearest railway station being Dimapur, the terminus of the Imphal-Kohima Road. The move towards Imphal is being made from three different directions, namely, via Tiddim to the south, Tamu to the south-east and from Ukhrul in the north-east. Attempts to cut the Tiddim-Imphal and Tamu-Palel roads have been repeatedly made, with partial success, while fierce fighting is now reported to be in progress in the Ukhrul area, the Japanese object, no doubt, being to push westward and get astride the Imphal-Kohima road. If the Japanese succeed in this effort the safety of both Imphal and Kohima will be seriously menaced. But, there appears to be little chance of the Japanese attaining their objectives, since every attempt on their part to appear on the plains in front of Imphal is being met with the devastating barrage of the R.A.F. and I.A.F. dive-bombers and other fighter craft. The position of Kohima, which lies in hilly country is somewhat difficult of appraisement. The next few days will thus be critical ones for this front, though one need have little anxiety about the ultimate fate of the Japanese offensive, which is bound to end in disaster, since the Allies possess definite superiority in the number as well as quality of both their air and land arms.

Value Of Free Press

A free press is never more valuable than in these days of war. "We need a free, informed people to fight a war for freedom," said Governor Thomas E. Dewey in a recent broadcast on the role of the free press. Mr. Cordell Hull disclosed last week that he had protested to the British Foreign Secretary, Mr. Eden, as far back as in November 1942, against British political censorship. At the same time he had written to the Chief U. S. Censor—that "fundamentally long-range interests of international friendship are best served by permitting the people of any country to know what the people in friendly countries are thinking and saying about them, however unpleasant some of these opinions may be." We do not know what response Mr. Hull obtained from British censors but it appears that, however free and fully informed the press in U.S.A. and Britain may be, it seems certain that rigorous censorship is enforced with regard to both the incoming and out-going news concerning nationalist politics in India. Nor does the U. S. A. seem to have made any attempt to be helpful to India in this respect.

Appeal To Peace-Makers And Journalists

Yet it is only when the press is free everywhere that it can be a beneficent world force to safeguard world peace. In the course of an article written for "Journalism in war time" symposium, Mr. Kent Cooper, the Executive Director of the 'Associated Press' of America, rightly remarks: "If universal dissemination of truth could be guaranteed in the post-war world, the chances of new wars occurring will be remote. The cause of the wars is perverted presentation of international news. It is the truth that makes men free." Accordingly he proposes that international freedom of news exchange be made a cardinal principle of any future treaties. He had made a similar suggestion to the Allied peace-makers after the last war. But he got only very limited support. We trust he will succeed better now. We cordially commend his suggestion and his appeal to journalists to "unite and demand a peace treaty clause on Press Freedom."

Mrs. Pandit In Bombay

Mrs. Vijayalakshmi Pandit arrived in Bombay by the Calcutta Mail, on Saturday evening. She was received at the Victoria Terminus by Mrs. Urmila Mehta, General Secretary of the All-India Women's Conference, Mrs. Lilavati Munshi, Dr. (Mrs.) Malinibai Sukthankar and others. Mrs. Pandit has come in connection with the 17th session of the All-India Women's Conference which begins on April 7. During her stay in the City, she will be the guest of Mrs. Krishna Hutheesingh. She will open the Swadeshi Arts and Crafts Exhibition at Ram Baug, Kandewadi on Wednesday.

Sardar Pratapsingh Released

Sardar Pratapsingh, President of the 'A' Ward (Fort) District Congress Committee, and a prominent Sikh leader of Bombay, has been released from Nasik Road Central Prison.

FROM MAHABHARATA TO WAR AGAINST JAPS

Manipur Ruler Won't Forsake His People And God

(By D. F. KARAKA, "Chronicle" War Correspondent)

IMPHAL FRONT, March 30.

On the road to Ukrul, though still in the capital city of Imphal is the sombre battle grey palace of Bodh Chandra, the Rajah of Manipur.

Driving in a Jeep up the drive that led to his palace, Mr. Sharp of the B.B.C. and I went to see the ruler of this threatened city.

Squatted on the ground of the courtyard, his legs crossed, was a stoutish man of about 35 with distinct Manipuri features wearing a white Kurta and Dhoti. He wore a garland of rose petals round his neck. Around him sat on the ground two Brahmin priests, a Chowkidar and a servant. As our Jeep stopped near the seated group, I stepped out and asked for the Private Secretary saying that we wanted to see the Ruling Prince. The man in the white Kurta, who stood up seeing there were visitors, faltered, looked shyly on the ground and in a limp voice replied "I am the Maharajah".

He spoke in English, though sometimes he was difficult to follow. He was friendly and did not resent the intrusion of a couple of war correspondents who had barged into his palace. We asked him how he felt with the enemy drawing closer to his capital.

CAN'T LEAVE HIS PEOPLE AND GOD

In a strange, resigned oriental way he said: "My place is here with my people. I cannot leave my God."

His eyes turned to the temple across the palace lawn with its golden dome shining in the dull Manipuri sky. Here every day from as early as 4-30 a.m. prayers were offered for the people by the Brahmins of the temple and by the Rajah himself.

He was different from the Indian ruling princes we have seen in Bombay.

He took one back to the ancient days when Manipur made history and could boast of knights that were bold—all that which is still part of the ancient folklore of our land. Although we still know Manipur to-day as the fountain of Indian dancing it is perhaps less known that its ruler traces his descent from Arjun in the Mahabharata and in keeping with this ancestry the ruling prince is a Kshattriya—of the warrior class.

At the entrance to his palace and over the wall of the loggia which is in another part of the garden hang a collection of war trophies. In the last war his father formed a force of 800 Manipuris.

WAR CAME TO THEM

"Then the war was far away" the Rajah said "and we sent our force to fight in it. To-day the war has come to us and we offer ourselves."

He had a fascinating way of expressing himself inspite of his faltering English. He had that simple native wisdom which made him different from his more westernized brother princes. He had been to England, he told us, and stayed in Bournemouth. But Bournemouth seemed far away as I saw him in this remote little State, which was now making headlines in the world Press. Bournemouth seemed a different world from his and as one saw the moat behind his palace, it took you back to King Arthur rather than to that seaside resort of the English bourgeoisie. Time seems to have stood still for him and for his State as it does in moments of suspense. In these long waiting hours he and his people pray and the temple gong beats all day to complete the symphony of Imphal—a medley of "hurricanes" and distant guns and of the Jeep horns, which are like interpolations in an old familiar tune.

The Editors' Request

The "Indian Express" writes:—

We are publishing to-day the text of a letter addressed to the Viceroy by 112 editors of newspapers in India, as early as January 24, inviting His Excellency's attention to the prevalence of widespread discontent in the country as well as distrust of British intentions and requesting him to take steps to end the political deadlock and to organise the country for total defence. The editors further suggest that, as a necessary preliminary, Mahatma Gandhi and other political leaders may be released from detention and steps taken to enable all parties to make their contribution towards ending the deadlock and the establishment of a representative National Government. The appeal has come none too soon. Its signatories are drawn from different parts of the country and represent different shades of opinion. They are persons in daily contact with the trend of feeling in the country and when they say that the existence of the deadlock constitutes "a menace to internal peace and security of the country," it is a warning that can be ignored only at great risk. The appeal was not therefore made in any light spirit but with a full appreciation of the issues involved. It is therefore very much to be regretted that the only response it evoked from the Viceroy was a suggestion to await his address to the Central Legislature. That address, as Mr. Brelvi has pointed out, was not helpful to end the deadlock. The latest enemy assault on Indian soil should, if nothing else will, bring home to the Government the urgent need to convert the present war into a people's war. Nothing can accomplish it better than the restoration of people's natural leaders to their midst and the conferment of political power on the people's representatives. The newspaper editors may not be the first to make the suggestion, but the weight of their demand or the degree of their conviction does not suffer in the least on that account.

"How The Editors Feel"

Under the above caption the "Hindustan Standard" writes:—

Has the Press any influence in this country? His Excellency Lord Linlithgow on the eve of his departure from India, spoke of the great influence of the Indian Press and the support that it has provided to the Government of the country during the present war. We have now presented his successor, His Excellency Lord Wavell, with a test case. We are releasing for the information of our readers the text of a letter that was addressed to His Excellency by 112 Editors of newspapers of the country on the 24th January last. It was a short letter. The approach was direct and personal. Lord Wavell believes in personal approach. But what was the reaction of His Excellency to this joint demand made by the Press in India? From the statement made by Mr. S. A. Brelvi which accompanies the letter now released for the information of the public it appears that His Excellency asked the signatories to await his address to the Legislature which was given on the 17th February following. Our readers have perused that address. It marks no break in the policy of the Government. It is a reaffirmation of the present policy of negation. That was His Excellency's answer to the letter addressed by the Press. Incidentally, our readers will now know what influence the Press carries with His Excellency, despite his predecessor's references.

Does the Press carry any influence in the country we repeat the question. Among the Editors will be found names that have distinguished themselves in the public life of the country. There will be found names belonging to all communities; names that are associated with varying political creeds; names which, we venture to suggest, stand for selfless service and self-effacing patriotism. They have now all combined together in the expression of the view that "the continuance of the political deadlock and the unparalleled misery into which certain parts of the country have been plunged by economic distress and shortage of food constitute a serious menace to the internal peace and the security of the country." They have combined in the demand for an urgent resolution of the political deadlock not only for securing the internal peace of the country but "for the better defence of India." The Press in submitting to His Excellency its own view about the urgency of the matter has been actuated by a very grave sense of responsibility. We feel that His Excellency has failed to appreciate this urgency. We appeal to him to reconsider the situation in all its bearings and not merely from the technical or exclusively military point of view. No man is infallible; he is far less infallible at the hour of a crisis. We hope His Excellency will rise to the occasion and act in the same spirit in which the Editors representing widely varying points of view have addressed him.

Our Readers' Views

Change Of Surroundings For Gandhiji

It is now more than a week since the Hon. Sir Reginald Maxwell assured a member of the Legislative Assembly in reply to his inquiry if in the present loneliness of Mr. Gandhi, Government would consider a change of surroundings that the matter would be considered.

We do not know what Mr. Gandhi's own feelings may be in the matter, but the reply given by the Home Member raised hopes in the hearts of many, even of those who differ from his politics that Government would fall in with the suggestion and graciously give him the benefit of the solace of friendship by transferring him, if even for a short time only, to Ahmednagar where his friends are detained. Apart from this human aspect of the suggestion it will afford Mr. Gandhi the opportunity to exchange views and compare notes with his friends.

May be they may come to revise their policy, may be they may not. In either case Government will have made a gravious gesture. I do hope no time will be lost in fulfilling the hopes raised by the Home Member's reply.

Khar VEERBAL H. MEHTA.

Release Jawaharlal Nehru

I tearfully mourn the fate of Hindustan. Her tragic destiny is covered with a veil of lovely illusion. Beneath the tree of fate millions scrawl about, torpid, half alive half a ghost. They have developed a mentality that they have nothing to lose but everything to gain. The presence which sheds the light of heroic courage is perishing by inches in those accepted hells. The Japs are descending on our mountain terrains.

Strength and confidence of victory will surge up in us when we see the flashing eyes of Nehru. He can raise, re-vivify and give anew zest to our being. Release him! He is worth a thousand divisions.

Now let us incline our ears and listen to the brave words of Nehru. He has charged his utterance with the fire that runs through his veins:

"We would fight in every possible way; both non-violently and with arms; by making it a people's war, by making the war our primary consuming passion to win the war and by fighting heroically like Russia and China. No price would be too big to pay to achieve our success against the aggressors."

The historian of the future will record that the extinction of liberty developed a shallowness of feelings. The voice that cried "Death On The Foe" was lost in the vast stillness of the prison. The political deadlock, the creeping paralysis sapped the country's strength. The release of the band of patriots could have provided half a cure to the political ills. Then millions could have given their limbs and life to defend the integrity of their ancient soil.

Y. G. KRISHNAMURTI.

Miraj Hospital's Golden Jubilee

MIRAJ, April 1.

The golden jubilee of the Miraj Medical Centre, run by the American Presbyterian Mission, was celebrated here on Friday evening. Colonel Edwards, Resident for Kolhapur and Deccan States, who presided over the function, paid warm tribute to the work of the mission and said that the mission sought to confer the blessings of medical science upon the largest number of people.

The Rajasaheb of Sangli and the Rajasaheb of Miraj Senior spoke on the occasion. The Rajasaheb of Miraj referred to the untiring services of the late Sir Wanless, the founder of the mission and to the late Dr. Vail, his successor. He stated that the provision for mental disease patients was their new project. More than two and a half million out-patients and one and a half lakh of in patients he said, have been treated so far by the medical centre.—A. P.

Editors' Letter To Viceroy

The "Free Press" of Madras writes:

The letter addressed to H.E. the Viceroy by as many as 112 Editors of the Newspapers covering the whole land, on January 24, which we have published elsewhere shows not only what one of the most indispensable and potent factors in this country thinks about the present situation but also reflects unmistakably the mind of the people. The continuance of any party in the country. Non-Congress elements more than anybody else, must bestir themselves up and make their voices felt. More than agreement on future aims and sharing of power agreement on a common plan of action to create effective sanctions for wresting power from unwilling hands is the need of the hour. We hope that all influential elements in the country would immediately follow up the lead of the Press as contained in the letter of the signatories of the letter to the Viceroy.

KING VICTOR'S ABDICATION

Communist Leader Springs Surprise: Big Developments Likely

NAPLES, April 1.

The Italian communist party has decided to propose to other opposition parties that they should waive their insistence on King Victor Emmanuel's abdication and proceed forthwith to the formation of a Government with the support of all parties.

This was announced to-day by Sgr Ercoli, the Italian Communist leader, who returned to Naples from Moscow a week ago after having lived in exile for 17 years. The Communist Party's new programme as announced by Sgr. Ercoli includes three principal points: (1) Unity of Anti-Socialist Parties must be maintained. (2) Joint war institutions of the Italian State must be decided democratically. (3) A national Government must be formed on this basis.

From Reuter's Special Correspondent in Naples, April 1: Important political changes may shortly follow Sgr. Ercoli's declaration that the Italian Communist Party has decided to propose to other Opposition Parties that they should waive their insistence on the King's abdication and start immediately to form a Government with the support of all Parties. Though Sgr. Ercoli used guarded terms the drift of his remarks indicated that the Communists are now pressing for redrafting of the policy hitherto followed by the Combined Parties of the Liberation Front, and it can be guessed that Communists have formulated a counter suggestion—that the King himself shall delegate his powers to a "Lieutenant-General of the Kingdom", thus vacating the Throne 'de facto' at least for a defined period. Some indication of the view taken by authoritative Non-Communist personages belonging to the Liberation Front is afforded by the brief statement to-night by Count Carlo Sforza that he had never used the word 'abdication' but simply said the "King must go".—Reuter.

Seven Indian Scientists For England

(From Our Correspondent.)

NEW DELHI, April 1.

Invitations have been issued to seven prominent Indian scientists to visit the United Kingdom sometime next month. While in England they will be guests of the British Government and will visit scientific and industrial research organisations in that country. The invited persons are Sir Santaarup Bhatnagar, Prof. S. K. Mitra, Col. S. L. Bhatia, Dr. Lakshmanswamy Mudaliar, Sir Pheroz Kharegat, Sir J. C. Ghose and Prof. M. N Sahai. The visit is expected to last six weeks.

Prof A. V. Hill, who has been here this winter is proceeding to London next week.

I learn that one Indian Botanist and one Agronomist are being sent to China to study Chinese methods of agriculture. Government of India has sent one Mycologist Dr Padwick to China last year.

No Cause For Panic, Says Assam Premier

SHILLONG, April 1

Sir Sa'adulla, Premier, in a brief statement in the Assam Council on the war situation on the Assam-Burma front said: "I can appraise the honourable members that there is no cause for panic at all. There was certain infiltration through a valley which is a very thick jungle and not inhabited by human beings. But most of the infiltrating enemy columns had been wiped out and excepting in one place, the enemy had been driven back from the Assam border."—United Press.

"Sophia College Case"

In Prof. K. T. Shah's article under the above heading published in the "Bombay Chronicle" of Saturday the following sentence is published:

"On the one hand the nation-wide agitation raised deliberately and conducted scientifically by the impulse, sanction and authority of uncatholic Church,—with all the vast machinery of propaganda at its command,—is rapidly transforming the original issue of some disciplinary action against certain and exceptionable activities in an affiliated college, into a matter concerning the rights of the Minorities, which has a particularly sinister twang in this land torn by the storms of the communal discords."

As a result of a printer's mistake "the uncatholic Church" was published instead of "The Catholic Church". The mistake is very much regretted.

TÊTE-À-TÊTE

WITHOUT COMMENT—

LONDON, March 30.

The Secretary of State for India, Mr. Amery, has circulated in a written reply the composition at the end of 1942 of the main parties in the elected members of the Legislative Assembly. He adds that he has no information regarding the number of members at present in detention. Mr. Amery also gives the composition of the Government of India and the recent defeats sustained by Government in the Assembly.

Mr. Amery states that no analysis of the division lists on these occasions is yet available, but he understood from press reports that Congress Nationalist and Muslim League members combined to vote against Government.

Mr. Sorensen: Is it not true that the majority who defeated Government did not consist of Congress members but of non-Congress members?

Mr. Amery made no further reply.—Reuter.

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Plans have been drawn up for the liberation of France.

India of course, is not France!

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It is felt in British political circles that Mr. Churchill used a sledge-hammer to ward off attack.

He should be careful lest it falls on his own thumb next time.

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"Empire is obsolete" says Pearl Buck.

It *is* obsolete, madam, but it pays! Even junk fetches a good price these days!

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An American correspondent says he has learnt of a mountain higher than Mount Everest.

That guy sure can tell a tall story.

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The columnist of an Anglo-Indian paper says that the weather is becoming too hot for dogs.

Aren't the dogs going to the hills for summer this year?

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TO-DAY'S PRIZE HOWLERS.

(Perpetrated By the Junior Colleague)

(1) *The Maharaja of Manipur is marrying for the third time as an antidotal measure against the Japs.*

(2) *The C.-in-C. is satisfied with the present rate of Indianisation of the Defence forces because 5 years ago the situation was even worse!*

(3) *Hitler is teaching every German to learn to shoot—just in case 'hara-kiri' on a mass scale becomes necessary?*

(4) *Mr. Amery has no knowledge whatever of the recent defeats of the Government of India in the Assembly.*

(5) *Beverley Nichols has written a book called "Heil Ajanta!", proving that the world-famous frescoes show distinct Fascist tendencies in art.*

(6) *The Sophia College Committee has requested Mr. K. T. Shah to accept the Principal's job.*

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A man from Dublin was in the habit of walking home after dark through a park, and his friends had heard that he was in the habit of walking backwards.

"Now, Pat", asked one of these friends one day, "tell us why you always walk backwards through the park."

"Why, sure," replied Pat, "to make sure that nobody comes up behind me."

FUND TO HELP POLITICAL SUFFERERS

From Our Correspondent)

AHMEDABAD, April 2

It was decided in a local Congress workers' meeting this morning to celebrate the National Week in Ahmedabad by collecting a fund for political sufferers and arranging a constructive programme from 6th to 13th April. The fund will be used for aiding sufferers in jail and outside.

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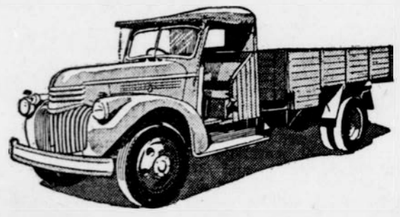

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Casey Says

NO REPETITION OF BENGAL FAMINE

CALCUTTA, April 1: "We are determined to succeed, and we are going to succeed, in averting the recurrence of famine in 1944" said H. E. the Governor of Bengal, Mr. R. G. Casey, in an appraisement of the situation in Bengal that he broadcast to-night from Calcutta.

Giving the reasons why he believed that there would be no famine in Bengal in 1944, His Excellency said: "In 1943 there was a real shortage of rice in Bengal owing to a poor crop and the disaster of the cyclone. This year there has been a very good crop.

Last year the great city of Calcutta had to be fed by Bengal this year Calcutta is getting foodgrains from the rest of India outside Bengal. And so we are relieved of the great single deficit area in Bengal—Greater Calcutta itself with its huge population of over four million people".—

Governor of Bengal, held a Press Conference to-day. Many Bengal problems, and prominently, the food situation, were discussed "of the record".—A. P.

Bihar Award To V.C.'s From Province

PATNA, April 1: An award of the maximum value of Rs. 500 will be given by the Provincial Government for acts of gallantry to men of the forces belonging to the Province of Bihar who have earned the Victoria Cross, states a Press Note issued this evening.

Reward of the maximum value of Rs. 2,500 will be given to men who have earned the following distinctions: D. S. O. (for Gallantry), I. O. M. (first and second class), the Military Cross, the George Medal, the Distinguished Service Cross and the Distinguished Cross.

The Provincial Government the note adds, retain the discretion to determine the nature and extent of the reward to be made in each individual case.—A. P.

18 MONTHS FOR ATTEMPT TO ESCAPE FROM JAIL

LUCKNOW, April 1: Seven prisoners, six of whom were described by the prosecution as revolutionaries, have been convicted and sentenced in a local Court to 18 months' R. I. each for attempting to escape from the Lucknow District Jail last August.—A. P.

The 32nd Annual Session of the All-India Jat Mahasabha will be held at Lyallpur on the 8th and 9th of April, 1944, under the presidentship of K. B. Ch. Khushi Mohammad Sahib Nazir, ex-Governor Jammu (Kashmir)

AGA KHAN HOCKEY

KIRKEE UNITED AND LUSITANIANS 'B' ENTER QUARTER-FINALS

Two matches in the Aga Khan Cup Hockey Tournament were played off at the Bombay Gymkhana ground on Sunday evening. The first was a replay between the second strings of the Lusitanians and the St. Xavier's College. The Lusis won the verdict by three goals to nil, Noronha, their centre-forward, scoring all the points.

The second tie was between the Kirkee United and the St. Mary's Old Boys. In a hard fought-out contest, the visitors emerged victorious by the odd goal in three. Mottee and G. Nimal gave them the lead in the first half. Stanley reduced the margin for the Old Boys in the latter period when, Christie, the Kirkee right half-back, was away from the field for medical attention due to an injury to his chin. The visitors tried hard to increase the lead, but Laughton and Bean in the St. Mary's defence proved heavy stumbling blocks in their way.

TO-DAY'S GAME

6-15 p.m. B. B. and C. I. Railway 'A' v. Muslims S. C., Nagpur.

An Appeal For Funds For T. B. Sanatorium At Jaisingpur

The Deccan Anti-tuberculosis Society has been formed with the intention of starting at Jaisingpur, a modern sanatorium with special facilities for the poor. It is a place on the M. S. M. Railway about 6 miles from Miraj with an altitude of about two thousand feet above sea level, known for its dry and healthy climate with about 15 to 20 inches of rainfall. This Sanatorium will admit patients of all castes and creeds without distinction and allow them full facilities for their religious worship.

The idea is to start the Sanatorium with about 100 beds and it is their ambition to have about fifty per cent of these as free. The initial capital cost is expected to be about four lakhs of rupees. The ultimate object is to have about 400 beds and the total cost may mount to over 7 or 8 lakhs of rupees, and out of every 100 beds 50 beds will be reserved free for the poor.

The Kolhapur State has offered to give about 300 acres of land free and Rs. 88,000 as soon as 2 lacs of rupees are collected from the public.

The Governing Body of the Society appeal to the public to generously contribute to this scheme.

Contributions may be sent to the Hon. Secretary, the Deccan Antituberculosis Society, Kolhapur, (M. S. M. Railway).

The Governing Body of the Deccan Anti-tuberculosis Society consists of the following members:—

B. V. Jadhav, Esq., Ex-Minister of Education, Bombay, (President); Rao B. R. R. Shirgaonkar, Ex-Dewan of Savantwadi State; Dr. R. V. Shiweshwarkar, Rtd. Asstt. Director of Public Health, Bombay Presidency; Seth G. L. Korgaonkar, Kolhapur; Seth Jivandas Ladha, Kolhapur, (Hon. Secretary) and Dr. G. K. Deshpande, M.D. (Berlin), Kolhapur, (Hon. Secretary).

TRAVANCORE'S THREE-CRORE LOAN

TRIVANDRUM, April 1: In pursuance of an anti-inflationary programme, the Government of Travancore intended to raise a loan of three crores of Rupees, the proceeds of which will be devoted primarily for implementing the post-war plans of the Government including extension of hydro-electric facilities and carrying out of large-scale agricultural and industrial schemes essential for the future which have already been outlined by the Government.

This loan will further effectuate purchase and storage of all foodgrains that may be needed for consumption during the coming year and thus help to eradicate black market and avoid the need for forced or hurried sales of stock.—A. P.

Woman Labour Welfare Officer For India

NEW DELHI, April 2

The Labour Welfare Staff of the Central Government has been further strengthened with the appointment of Miss C. A. Radhabai, as Assistant Lady Labour Welfare Officer in addition to seven such officers already working in various provinces. It is understood that this appointment has been made in view of problems connected with woman labour in India.

Miss Radhabai is M.Litt. of the Madras University and during her six years of post-graduate research she specialised in the research of industrial labour and economic problems. In 1940, when she wrote a thesis on "Woman Labourers in South India", she was appointed Fellow of the Madras University.

Earlier in 1937, she carried out a personal investigation on "prohibition at work" in Salem Town. During this inquiry she studied the effects of prohibition on hand-loom weavers, municipal scavengers, mill, quarry and plantation workers and stone cutters.

In 1938, she undertook "an economic survey of the cinematographic industry in Madras Presidency" with special reference to industrial management and labour problems. She has also compiled a number of reports and statistical data on subjects like women in industries and wartime prices.—A. P.

Students Take Interest In International Relations

NEW YORK, March 27.

Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler, of the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, reports that educational centres have been established throughout the United States and the Allied world to study international relations.

Revealing how closely academic circles are following current history, despite military requirements upon their personnel, Dr. Butler estimated that over 1,200 International Relations Clubs comprised of college and university students met last year—USOWI.

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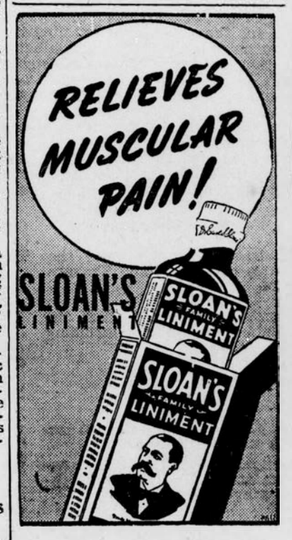

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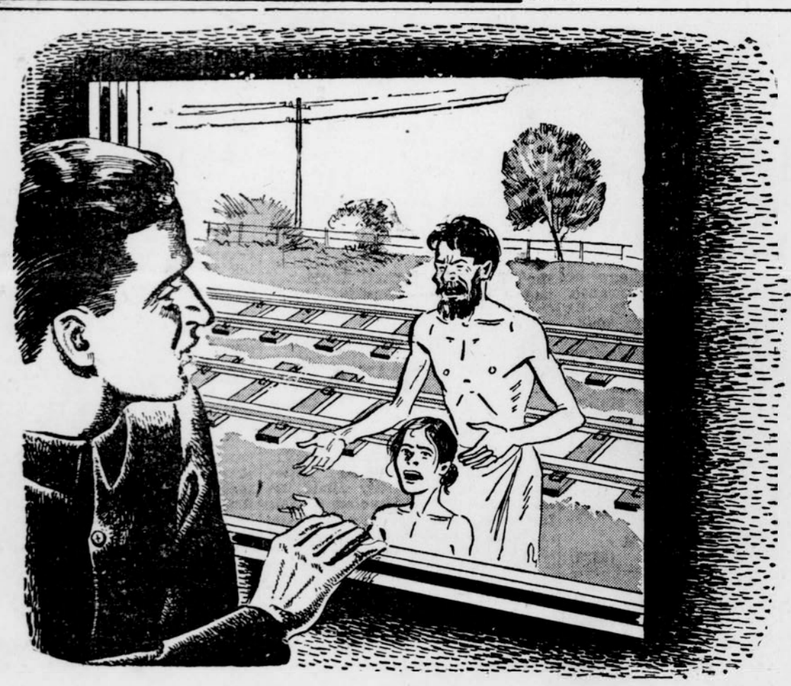

THE CRY OF DISTRESS

Despite the very great efforts of the Railways; despite the co-operation of the agriculturists, of townspeople and of business men alike, there are still people in this country whose very lives are in peril.

Some of them suffer from food shortage, some from lack of other necessities of life. Mercifully, their number is getting less and less, but there are still many and their cry must not go unanswered. The Railways' first obligation is to them. The distribution of food and civil supplies must take precedence over passenger travel. So, if your accommodation is crowded—if tickets are difficult to buy—if travelling is uncomfortable, bear in mind those poor people. Appreciate the Railways' difficulties, and if you want to do your bit, stay at home and travel only when you **must**.

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Proprietor Of Bakery Acquitted

(Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Divatia and Mr. Justice Lokur)

K. A. Irani .....Appellant,

v.

King Emperor .....Respondent.

The appellant the proprietor of "Standard Bakery" at Bhendi Bazar had been convicted of the offence of using wheat products in the preparation of small cakes nankhatais and patties in contravention of the notification of the Government of Bombay dated 26th December, 1942 which prohibited its use without a license, and sentenced to 15 days' simple imprisonment and a fine of Rs. 1,000 by Mr. K. J. Khandalawalla, Presidency Magistrate. The appellant's bakery had been raided by the police on 13th January, 1943 and samples of each lot of pastry were taken possession of.

On appeal to the High Court, Their Lordships were of opinion that the facts of the case were very similar to the case of Behram S. Irani decided by the High Court on 26th January, 1944, and that in the present case also the possibility of the presence of wheat product in the baking powder used by the appellant could not be ruled out and held that the accused was therefore entitled to the benefit of that doubt. Their Lordships therefore allowed the appeal and acquitted the appellant.

Mr. H. M. Seervai instructed by Messrs Mulla and Mulla appeared for the appellant.

The Government Pleader appeared for the Crown.

Poona Merchant's Conviction Confirmed

(Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Divatia, Mr. Justice Lokur and Mr. Justice Rajadhyaksha)

Hansraj Aslaji ....Applicant (Original Accused).

v.

King Emperor .....Opponent

This was an appeal from the orders of the Sessions Judge of Poona confirming the conviction and sentence of one day's rigorous imprisonment and a fine of Rs. 200 for contravention of the non-Ferrous Metals Control Order, 1942, and the order confiscating copper wire worth Rs. 2,445 purchased by the applicant without the necessary permit, passed by the Trial Court.

Their Lordships confirmed the conviction as well as the sentence but set aside the order of confiscation on the ground that no provision for forfeiture of the article had been made in the Control Order.

Mr. J. C. Shah with Mr. N. C. Shah appeared for the applicant.

The Assistant Government Pleader Mr. S. G. Patwardhan appeared for the Crown.

IRANIAN MISSION

MADRAS April 2: The Iranian Cultural Mission after completion of the tour of India left Madras last evening by plane for Bombay "en route" to Iran. Last night a recording of an address in Persian by the Mission to the people of Iran on the eve of their departure was broadcast by the A. I. R.—A. P.

Housing In Bombay

Mr. B. R. Rane, M. L. A., has sent the following letter to the Secretary, Bombay Municipal Corporation:—

I wish to bring to the notice of the members of the Bombay Municipal Corporation the following facts for their favourable and immediate consideration.—

Due to scarcity of food-supply in the rural areas of the Bombay Province and increased wages for manual work in the factories and mills in the Bombay city, the population of the city has been increased by 50 per cent more. At the same time there is no new building construction in the city owing to the present war-restrictions.

Under these circumstances there is over-crowding in the one and two rooms tenements particularly in the labour Wards and the residents in these Wards are accommodating about three families in a single room. I think that this state would cause to spread epidemics in the city in addition to the hardships caused to the poor class of the citizens. I therefore, request the members of the Corporation to take immediate steps to relieve the citizens of Bombay from their present hardships and sufferings regarding their residential accommodation by erecting temporary chawls in the open plots belonging to the Municipality.

Awaiting immediate action.

"Gandhism Reconsidered"

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Bengal Decision Report Premature

CALCUTTA, April 2: With reference to the report issued yesterday, that the Government of Bengal will shortly prohibit the slaughter of bullocks below ten years of age and of milch cows, it is now learnt that the report is premature. No decision has yet been taken on the matter.—A. P.

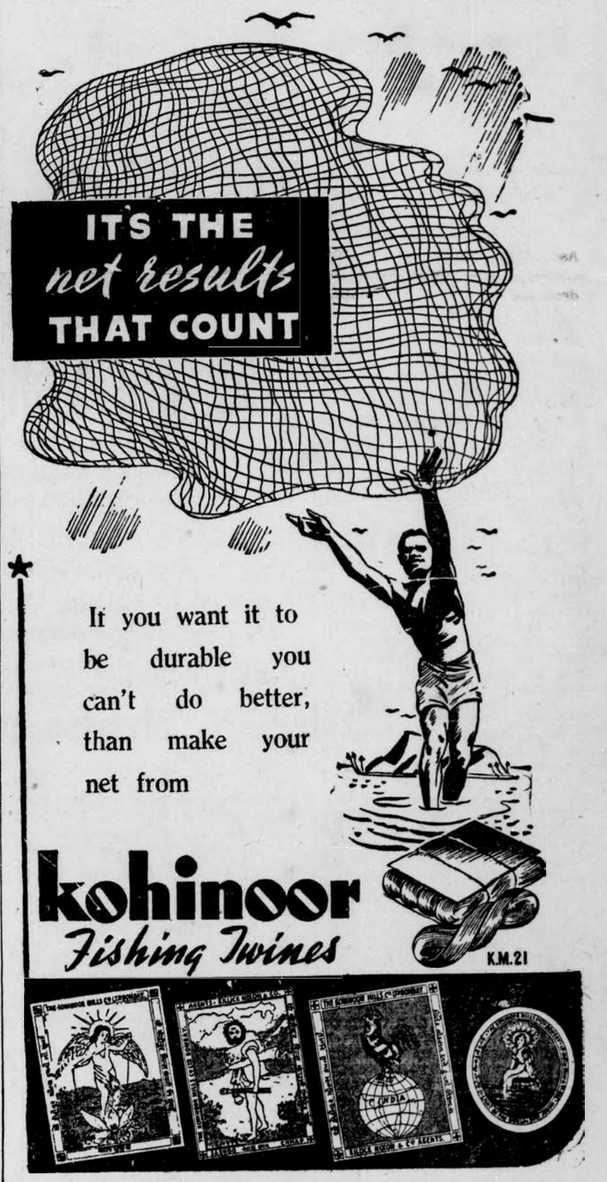
DACOITY IN MOLADI

(From Our Correspondent.)

BHAVNAGAR, April 2: Moladi of Kundla Mahal was the scene of a dacoity by seven armed outlaws, when the Dewan was on tour in the same Mahal. One Luhana was looted and several hundreds of rupees with precious ornaments have been taken away

NEW EDITOR OF "INDIAN NATION"

NEW DELHI, April 2: Mr Benoy Roy, formerly Editor of "Peacock" (Rangoon) and now a member of the staff of "Dawn" has been appointed Editor of the "Indian Nation", Patna.—A. P.



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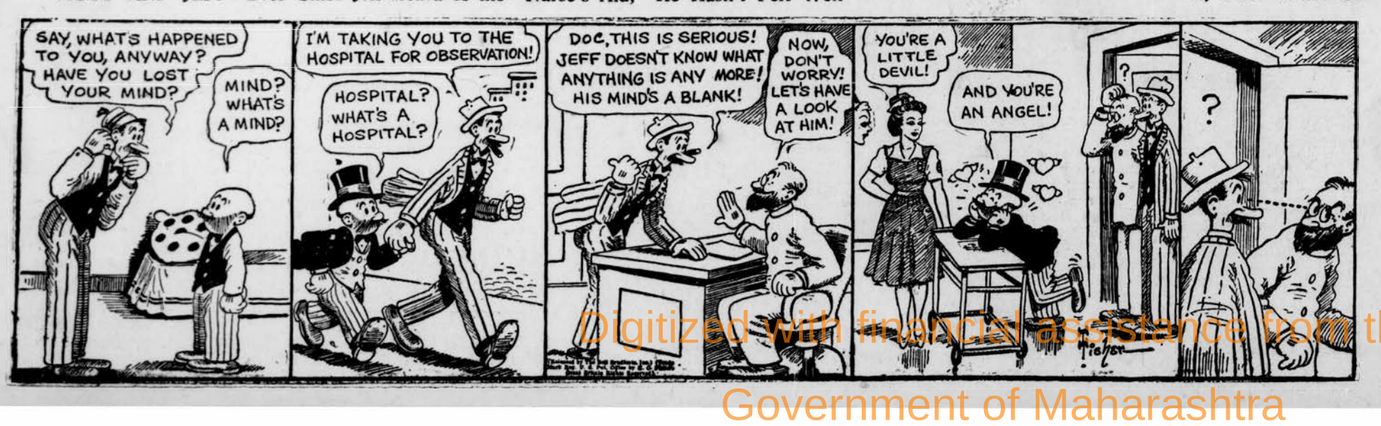
SAY, WHAT'S HAPPENED TO YOU, ANYWAY? HAVE YOU LOST YOUR MIND?
MIND? WHAT'S A MIND?
I'M TAKING YOU TO THE HOSPITAL FOR OBSERVATION!
HOSPITAL? WHAT'S A HOSPITAL?
DOC, THIS IS SERIOUS! JEFF DOESN'T KNOW WHAT ANYTHING IS ANY MORE! HIS MIND'S A BLANK!
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20. MATRIMONIAL

A Suitable Match is required for a highly connected and well-educated Muslim (Pathan) Girl. Only persons of high status or officers of the Imperial Service need apply to Box No 4504, "Bombay Chronicle." (Correspondence from the Members of His Majesty's Forces will not be entertained).

42. SITUATIONS VACANT

Wanted hardworking Chemist firm in quantitative anorganic analysis. Apply personally on 5th or 6th April between 5-30 and 6-30 p.m. at 139, Medows Street, Messrs. Bombay Metal & Alloys Mfg. Co. Ltd. (4522)

Wanted for a firm of Auditors, Chartered, Incorporated, or Registered Accountants having sound practical knowledge and able to deal with audits independently. Pay according to experience. Apply Box No. 4520, "Bombay Chronicle."

Waned a young experienced Parsi Assistant, knowing Accountancy for an old established firm of Auditors. Apply with copies of testimonials to Box No. 4525, "Bombay Chronicle."

Wanted Sub-Asst. Surgeons for Bori, Para and Raipuria dispensaries on Rs. 45/- in the grade of 45-2½-65 with free quarters. Apply:—Superintendent Court of Wards, Jhabua State, Jhabua (C.I.). (4513)

Wanted a Steno-Typist on Rs. 50/- p.m. in the pay scale of Rs. 50-5/2-80 plus dearness allowance as per Government rates with benefit of Provident Fund. Applications stating age, qualifications, experience etc., should be submitted on or before 10th April 1944, to the Secretary, Children's Aid Society, Bombay, 83, Lady Hardinge Road, Mahim, Bombay, 16. (8337)

Wanted Stockists Representatives for superior 'smart' Razors, Scissors, Knives, etc. Apply Hindustan Engineering, Camera House, Girgaum. (4509)

Wanted Two Civil Engineering Graduates (B.E.), preferably Honours, on salary of Rs. 145-15-450 plus D.A. Rs. 50 (for War period), capable of teaching A.M.I.E. Class. Applications should reach Director, U. P. Engineering Institute, Jagat Narain Road, Lucknow by 10th April, 1944. 4490

Wanted Distributors for our products all over India in every District. Apply for particulars to Powells Ltd., Bombay 4. 8316

Wanted—Persons desirous of earning Rs. 10 to Rs. 30 per day, should write for free particulars, samples can also be sent if desired. Apply c/o Post Box 282, Lahore. (6726)

43. SITUATIONS WANTED

A lady Social Worker wishes to organise or take charge of some women's or children's organisation. Correspond with Box No. 4526, "Bombay Chronicle."

69. FLATS WANTED.

Wanted: Decent 2, 3 or 4 Rom Flat in Marine Drive or Churchgate area, phone facility preferred. Decent rent. Write immediately to T. V. R Chandran P.B. No. 118/A, Bombay.

A Respectable family man, desires sharing or independent Room or Rooms, with convenient W.C. and Bath. Willing to pay attractive rent. Gamdevi, Girgaum, or Tardeo Localities. Please phone Rao. 27909, 43673. (4528)

BUSINESS PREMISES WANTED

Wanted premises in Girgaum/ Kalbadevi/Dhobi Talao/Fort area for a shop. Communicate terms to Box No. 8310, "Bombay Chronicle."

Wanted Space for a small Factory with power in Bombay. Please reply Box No. 4503, "Bombay Chronicle."

142. EDUCATIONAL ADLETS

Applications are invited from candidates desirous of joining L.S.G.D. Diploma Training Classes for Officers of Local Self-Government Service conducted under the joint auspices of this Institute and the Government of Bombay which commence on 1st May 1944 at Bombay. Classes will also be opened at Poona and Ahmedabad if sufficient number of students apply to be admitted at these centres. Prospectus can be had from: The Director, Local Self-Government Institute, 11, Elphinstone Circle, Fort, Bombay. (8335)

Learn Journalism. Story Writing, Masterly English, Accountancy, Shorthand D.Com., Commercial Courses by post. Associated Schools, Delhi. (4346B)

303. MACHINERY WANTED

Wanted.—One Lancashire Boiler 30' x 7' of about 160 lbs. working pressure with Feed Pump, and one Vertical Boiler about 8'x4' about 100 lbs pressure. Apply with recent certificates stating minimum prices Bharat Stores Ltd. (Tel. No. 33113), Round Building, Princess Street, Bombay. (4519)

Wanted (1) a Rotary Press (Second hand or new), (2) a Cotton waste carding machine (Second hand or new), (3) A Carding machine with or without a set of spindles (Second hand or new) for a Woollen Factory. Please write with details and expected price to Post Box No. 356, Lahore. (8333)

Wanted an Ice Plant, about twenty-five or upwards. Apply Box No. 4517, '(Bombay Chronicle."

PUBLIC NOTICES

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.
MILITARY ACCOUNTS DEPARTMENT
WANTED CLERKS

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for the posts of Temporary Clerks on the initial pay of Rs. 62/- p.m. in the scale of Rs. 45-50-4-70-5-150, with Increments after every 12 months' continuous service. In addition to the above, local allowance will be granted wherever admissible, as also dearness allowance at the rates sanctioned from time to time by the Government of India. Free conveyance for self (single inter-class fare) from the place of residence to place of duty will be admissible on appointment. Candidates will be liable to serve anywhere in India, but are not liable for service overseas. Applicants must be over 18 and below 28 years of age. Those who are above 28 years of age and who have previous training and accounting experience may also apply, but they will have no claim for confirmation in the Department at a future date. Men already in permanent and temporary employ of the other Government departments need not apply. The posts are only for the duration of the War. No guarantee for permanency can be given. Special preference will be given in the case of applicants belonging to the Minority Communities and Scheduled Castes.

2. QUALIFICATIONS:—University degree in all the subjects prescribed by the various Universities. Candidates who have appeared for the full degree examination will be entertained subject to their passing the Degree examination. Those who fail will have the option of remaining in the department on pay at Rs. 50/- per mensem in the scale of Rs. 36-2-60-2-70 with increments after every 12 months' continuous service or resigning their appointments if they so desire.

Applicants from different provinces will be interviewed at the stations and by the officers shown below and will as far as possible be posted to stations nearer their homes. They should, therefore apply to those officers with their certificates of educational qualifications and age and also a character certificate from a Gazetted Officer.

Names of Provinces	Officers to whom applications should be addressed.
(1) Madras Presidency and the States of Cochin and Travancore.	The Dy. Fd. Controller of Military Accounts, c/o The Local Field Pay Audit Officer, BANGALORE.
(2) Bombay Presidency and the neighbouring States including Hyderabad.	(1) The Fd. Controller of Military Accounts, Sri Shahu Palace, POONA. (2) The Pay Accounts Officer No. 1 T.T.C., DEOLALI. (3) The Pay Accounts Officer I.G.S.C. (R) AURANGABAD.
(3) C. P. and Berar, Central India and Rajputana.	The Pay Accounts Officer, I.A.O.C. (R) JUBBULPORE.
(4) Bengal, Bihar, Orissa and Assam and U. P. and the neighbouring States.	(1) The Asstt. Fd. Contr. of Mily. Accts. H.Q., E.C., Wellesley Place, CALCUTTA. (2) The Pay Accts. Officer, M.T. C.R. LUCKNOW. (3) The Dy. Fd. Contr. of Mily. Accts., Lucknow area, LUCKNOW. (4) The Pay Accounts Officer, I.A.O.C. (R) JUBBULPORE.
(5) Delhi Province, Simla, Punjab, N.W.F.P., Kashmir and other States in neighbourhood.	(1) The Asstt. Fd. Controller of Military Accounts, Officers (I.A.) Casualty Accounts Sn. SIMLA. (2) The Dy. Fd. Controller of Mily. Accts., Punjab area, JULLUNDUR. (3) The Pay Accounts Officer, No. 2 T.T.C., JULLUNDUR. (4) The Local Field Pay Audit Officer, ABBOTTABAD.

(8332)

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"Consent of the Central Govt. has been obtained to this issue under Defence of India Rules, 94 A. It must be distinctly understood that in giving this consent the Govt. of India do not take any responsibility for the financial soundness of any schemes or for the correctness of any of the statements made or opinions expressed with regard to this."

APPLY FOR PROSPECTUS WITH SHARE APPLICATION FORMS

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BOMBAY-SIND PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION invite applications by 29-4-1944 for part-time non-pensionable post of *Professor of Mercantile Law, Sydenham College of Commerce and Economics, Bombay. Qualifications.*—University graduates who are either practising as Advocates on the Original Side of the Bombay High Court or as Attorneys-at-Law. *Pay.*- Rs. 200. Application form supplied on receipt of large addressed envelope with 3 1/2 annas stamps and *uncrossed* postal order for Re. 1/- payable to "Secretary, Bombay-Sind Public Service Commission", P. W. D. Secretariat, Bombay, who will also supply full details on request. (8311)

322. MACHINERY FOR SALE

For Sale:—Spinning Machinery from Blow Room to Ring in good working condition, Weaving Machinery, Shafting of various sizes Pulleys and other Miscellaneous machines and articles including slightly incomplete Sterling Boilers Apply:—Bharat Stores Ltd. (Tel. No. 33113) Round Building, Princess Street, Bombay. (4518)

651. MISCELLANEOUS ADLETS

Unique Services Offered to manufacturers and Foreign Importers to popularise their products and to organise sales in Rajputana and Central India in various lines such as Engineering, Hardware, paints, chemicals, medicines, Toilets, provisions stores, textiles and Hosieries etc. Write to R.C.I. Agencies Corporation, Jodhpur. (4527)

CONTROLLER OF SUPPLIES, BOMBAY

INVITES TENDERS No. BSY/FLIP/620 on form obtainable for Rs. 10/- per set (not refundable or transferable) paid in cash or by M.O. (quoting Tender Number, full name and address of remitter) before 4 P.M. on 17-4-44 for:—

(1) Bamboos 1 in. to 1¾ in. mid. dia. x 10-15 ft. long, 1¾ in. to 2½ in. mid. dia x 12 ft. & up and 2½ in. and up mid. dia. x 12 ft. & up—20 lacs.
(2) Bamboo splits ¾ in. to 1 in. wide, ¼ in. thick, 9 to 12 ft. long—5 lacs.
(3) Bamboo matting 20% in size 9 ft. x 3 ft. and rest in 6 ft. x 4 ft. to 10 ft. x 6 ft. preferably mostly 6' x 4'—20 lacs sq. feet.

Suppliers will have to tap sources out of Bombay Province.

Applicants not on approved Supply Department list must give Banker's reference on applications for Tender Form.

(8329)

IMPERIAL BANK OF INDIA

THE BANK will be CLOSED on FRIDAY, the 7th April, 1944, that day being a Public Holiday, (GOOD FRIDAY) under the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881.

N. G. IRVINE,
Offg. Secretary & Treasurer.
Bombay, 29th March, 1944.
(8331)

PUBLIC NOTICES

This is only an Announcement and not a Prospectus which will be furnished on request.

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ISSUE OF ADDITIONAL SHARES

6 per cent Tax-free Cumulative Preference Shares of Rs. 100 at Rs. 110. Ordinary Shares of Rs. 100 each at par.

The paid capital is Rs. 4 lakhs in six per cent Cumulative tax-free Preference shares of Rs. 100 each and Rs. 4 lakhs in Ordinary shares of Rs. 100 each.

The present issue consists of 1,000 Preference shares issued at Rs. 110 per share. Rs. 55 being payable on application and Rs. 55 on allotment; and 1,000 Ordinary shares issued at Rs. 100 per share. Rs. 50 being payable on application and Rs. 50 on allotment, on the basis of one new Preference share and one new Ordinary share for every eight shares held by a shareholder irrespective of class. Shareholders whose names appear on the Register of Company's Shareholders as on March 20th may apply for shares, Ordinary and Preference on this basis; they may also apply in excess of their quota. Such applications will be considered after allotting the regular quota.

Those who are not at present shareholders may also apply for the present issue. Such applications will be considered in respect of that portion of the present issue which is not subscribed for by the existing shareholders at such price and on such terms as the Directors may think fit.

The application form together with remittance must reach the Office on or before the 3rd April, 1944.

The Object of the present issue of additional Capital is to provide for the larger finance necessitated by rapid increase in sales and by the larger volume of orders from Government.

Total sales which were only Rs. 13.69 lakhs in 1940-41 rose to Rs. 20.14 lakhs in 1942-43. By the same token, supplies made to Government increased from Rs. 4.54 lakhs to Rs. 12.19 lakhs.

These figures would have made much bigger showing if it were not the policy of the Company to adhere to Government control rates.

The Company was started in 1928 to take over a concern of similar nature; and, under the new auspices, the progress has been steady. After payment of preference dividend, the Ordinary shares received six per cent in 1941-42. The ordinary dividend for 1942-43 is six per cent free of tax.

These features of the Company are reflected in the present quotations of its shares on the Calcutta Stock Exchange, the Preference and Ordinary shares quoting round about Rs. 130.

The principal products manufactured by the Company are Surgical dressings, coal tar products, antiseptics, spiritous products, bio-chemical and bio-logical products (Chemical injectules. sera, vaccine, etc.)

Full details are furnished in the prospectus which will be supplied on request and on the basis of which alone applications for shares will be considered.

A copy of the Prospectus has been filed with the Registrar of Joint-Stock Companies, Bengal. Consent of the Central Government has been obtained to this issue under Defence of India Rule 94A. It must be distinctly understood that in giving this consent the Government of India do not take any responsibility for the financial soundness of any schemes or for the correctness of any of the statements made or opinion expressed with regard to them.

This is not an invitation for shares but only an announcement. Copies of the Memorandum, and Articles of Association can be inspected at the Registered Office of the Company at 12 and 7, Umakanta Sen Lane, Calcutta. Copies of the Prospectus and Application Forms can be had on Application.

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NOTICE

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for the posts of (a) one Assistant Chemist, (b) two Junior Chemists and (c) one Boiler Attendant, in the Industrial Research Laboratories Department of Industries, Matunga, Bombay.

QUALIFICATIONS:— ASSISTANT CHEMIST: MSc. Degree in Organic or Inorganic Chemistry or Chemical Engineering. Preference will be given to candidates with Research and works experience. Pay—130-10-200, Age—not more than 26 years. JUNIOR CHEMIST: B.Sc. of a recognised University with special qualification in analytical chemistry. Pay—100-5-150, Age—not more than 26 years

BOILER ATTENDANT: (a) should possess Second Class Boiler Attendant's Certificate, (b) should have worked as a Senior fireman in mills or factories and possess at least 8 years' experience in firing of boilers. Preference will be given to Boiler attendants who have worked on repairs to boilers and have knowledge of fitting and boiler maintenance. Pay—40-2-60, Age—not more than 35 years.

Candidates for the above posts should be domicile residents of Bombay Province and should know at least one regional language. Applicants for interview will have to come to Bombay at their own expense. Canvassing in any form will be a serious disqualification.

Application by registered post should reach the undersigned on or before 22nd April, 1944 at the latest.

S. D. VASHIST,
I/C Director of Industries.
Old Custom House Yard,
Bombay, March, 1944.
8315

IMPERIAL BANK OF INDIA

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for appointments as Probationary Assistants in the Bank for which a number of vacancies at present exist.

Applicants must possess one of the following University degrees as a minimum qualification and must not be more than 23 years of age:

Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science (Honours First Class) in Mathematics.

Bachelor of Arts (Honours First Class) in History or Economics.

Bachelor of Commerce (Second Class).

Candidates selected will be required to serve as probationary Assistants under training for a period of three years after which, if found satisfactory, they will be offered a permanent appointment on the Bank's Supervising Staff.

Applications, which must be received by the Bank not later than the 30th April, 1944, should be sent in writing to the Secretary & Treasurer, Imperial Bank of India, Bombay, from whom further particulars may be obtained if required.

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NOTICE

WANTED a Laboratory Attender and Store Keeper on Rs. 50-3-80 (temporary scale for duration of War) plus dearness allowance. Post temporary but likely to be made permanent. Minimum qualifications—Matriculation with Chemistry and Physics, preferably with experience in Pharmaceutical or Chemical Laboratory, Stores or Hospital. Applications stating age and qualifications and forwarding copies of testimonials should be sent to the Chemical Examiner, New Custom House, Bombay before 15th April 1942.

P. N. CHANDAVARKAR,
Collector of Customs.
New Custom House,
Bombay, 31st March, 1944.
(8328)

NOTICE

WANTED IMMEDIATELY STENOGRAPHERS and TYPISTS either sex for temporary appointments, in the office of the Deputy Commissioner of Police, Special Branch II, Bombay, on Rs. 50/- plus shorthand allowance according to speed plus dearness allowance of Rs. 14/- per month.

The usual conditions regarding age limit and educational qualifications will be waived in the case of suitable candidates.

Intending applicants should forward their applications with copies of certificates, on or before the 5th April 1944 to the Office Superintendent, Head Police Office, Bombay.

C. W. E. U'REN,
Dy Commissioner of Police.
Special Branch (II)
(8343)

NOTICE

THE PERIOD OF LICENCES to trade in cotton yarn, issued by the Yarn Commissioner, Bombay expires on the 30th April, 1944. All licensees are, therefore, requested to apply for renewal of their licences on or before the 31st May, 1944. Applications for renewal received after that date will not be considered.

S. D. VASHIST,
Yarn Commissioner.
(8334)

G. I. P. RLY.—TENDERS

THE CONTROLLER OF STORES invites tenders for reconditioning of scrap brass boring quality No. 1. Form obtainable from Stores Head Office, Gipstore Lane, Lower Parel, Bombay 13, at Rs. 2/- per copy, not refundable. Money order or cash only. Closing date 17-4-1944 at 3 P.M. (S. T.)

8290

FILMS

IMPORTERS OF AMERICAN EXPOSED FILMS, WHO IMPORTED DURING PERIOD 1/9/38 TO 31/8/39 OR POSSESSING IMPORT LICENCES, DESIROUS TO BUY LATEST PRODUCTIONS ARE REQUESTED TO COMMUNICATE WITH—KHUSHIRAM TARACHAND, P. B. NO. 52, KARACHI.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

WILSON COLLEGE

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for the following posts at Wilson College, Bombay:—

(1) Professor of ECONOMICS on grade Rs. 250—10—350.
(2) Lecturer in ECONOMICS on grade Rs. 150—10—240.

One of the persons appointed will be required to teach Geography.

Applications should be received by 30TH APRIL, 1944.

(3) Temporary Lecturer in English on salary not exceeding Rs. 180/- according to qualifications.

Applications, addressed to the Principal, should be received by 15TH APRIL, 1944.

(8317)

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that TRIBHOVAN GOVIND and Bai UJJAMBAI, widow of Vithal Raja, the Trustees of the Will of one Motibai appointed under Consent Decree, dated 27th January 1936, in Bombay High Court Suit No. 921 of 1921 (Bai Ujjambai widow of Vithal Raja v/s Salehmahomed Dharamsey & Ors.) have contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client.

All persons having any claim against or to the said property of whatsoever kind or nature are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at 36, Tamarind Lane, Fort, Bombay, within FOURTEEN DAYS from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY.

ALL that piece or parcel of land partly of leasehold tenure and partly of Quit and Ground Rent Tenure, containing by admeasurement 268 square yards or thereabouts (out of which 240 square yards or thereabouts are of leasehold tenure and the remaining 28 square yards or thereabouts are of Quit and Ground Rent Tenure) and registered by the Collector of Land Revenue under Collector's New Nos. 17052 and 9822 and New Survey No. 1/5679 and 2/5679 together with the tenements or buildings standing thereon and assessed by the Municipality of Bombay under E Ward No. 533 and Street Nos. 232-234 and all which said premises are situate at Upper Duncan Road, in the City and Registration District of Bombay and are bounded as follows:—that is to say, on or towards the EAST by the said Duncan Road, on or towards the WEST by the property of Rajubai and on or towards the NORTH by the property of Noorbhoy Nathoo and on or towards the SOUTH by the property of Esaji Mangaljee and the said property bears Cadastral Survey No. 1026 of Byculla Division

Dated this 31st day of March, 1944.

GHULAMALI NOORANI & CO.,
Purchaser's Atorneys.
(8342)

NOTICE OF SALE.

Messrs. NARANDAS RANCHHODDAS and SHAMALDAS RANCHHODDAS of Bombay Hindu Inhabitants have contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client Seth Mohanlal Gokuldas.

ANY person making claim of any sort against the said property is required to notify the same to us within 14 days. In default the claim, if any, will be deemed to have been waived and the sale completed.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY.

ALL that piece or parcel of land or ground of leasehold tenure situate at the junction of Harvey Road and Laburnam Road admeasuring 505 square yards or thereabouts together with a Semi-detached building and a part of Motor Garage standing thereon bearing D Ward No. 2772, 2776(1a) part and Street No. 13 and 6A (part) being the Western Portion of the Plot No. 36 of Gamdevi Estate of the Municipal Corporation in the City and Island and sub-registration District of Bombay, admeasuring 906 square yards or thereabouts and of the building known as "Girdhar Mahal" which said whole plot bears New Survey Nos. 7322 (part) 7323 (part), 7324 (part), 7325 (part) and Cadastral Survey No. 1660 of Girgaum Division.

Dated this 30th day of March 1944.

AMBUBHAI & DIWANJI,
Purchaser's Attorneys.
Lentin Chambers,
Dalal Street, Fort, Bombay.
(8324)

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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that NIZAMUDIN ABDUL GAFOOR PATEL, of Bombay Muslim Inhabitant has contracted to sell the undermentioned properties to our client.

Any person or persons having any claim, right, title and interest in or to the said properties or any part thereof by way of sale, mortgage, charge, exchange, trust, use, lease, gift, inheritance, lien, possession, maintenance, encumbrance, easement or otherwise, howsoever, is hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at 65, Esplanade Road, Old Oriental Bank Building, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof failing which all claims will be considered as waived and the sale will be completed without any regard thereto.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTIES.

FIRSTLY:—ALL THAT piece or parcel of Quit and Ground Rent tenure, situated at Erskine Road, without the Fort of Bombay, in the City and Registration Sub-District of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 150 Square Yards or thereabouts and registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue under New No. 9569 Collector's Rent Roll No. 4148. New Survey No. 4711, Cadastral Survey No. 3525 of Bhuleshwar Division together with the dwelling house and all building and structures standing thereon and assessed by the Assessor and Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under 'C' Ward Nos. 6809-6810 and 7939, Street Nos. 150-200 and 31 and bounded as follows: that is to say, on or towards the NORTH by the Public Road between Chimna Butcher Street and Khoja Street, on or towards the SOUTH by the said Erskine Road, EAST by the property belonging to the Vendor and on or towards the WEST by the property of the Vendor.

SECONDLY: ALL THAT piece or parcel of Leasehold land or ground, situate at Erskine Road, without the Fort of Bombay, in the City and Registration Sub-District of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 257 square yards or thereabouts according to the Lease and 262 square yards according to Cadastral Survey Register and registered in the books of the Collector of Land Revenue under Collector's Old No. 2847, Collector's New No. 16200, Collector's New Rent Roll No. 7813 and Old Survey No. 1824, New Survey No. 4709 and Cadastral Survey No. 3523 of Bhuleshwar Division together with the dwelling house and all buildings and structures standing thereon and assessed by the Bombay Municipality under "C" Ward No. 6812 Street Nos. 23 to 27 and 142 to 146 and bounded as follows: that is to say, on or towards the NORTH by Khoja Street Cross Lane, on or towards the SOUTH by the said Erskine Road, on or towards the EAST partly by a passage and partly by the property of Sir Mahomed Yusuf Sodagar and on or towards the WEST by the property described in the third schedule hereunder written.

THIRDLY: ALL THAT piece or parcel of Leasehold land or ground situate at Erskine Road without the Fort of Bombay and in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 140 square yards or thereabouts and registered in the books of the Collector of Land Revenue under Collector's Old No. 2545 part, Collector's New No. 16199, Collector's New Rent Roll No. 7812 and Old Survey No. 1425 part and New Survey No. 4710 and Cadastral Survey No. 3524 of Bhuleshwar Division together with the dwelling house and all buildings and structures standing thereon and assessed by the Bombay Municipality under 'C' Ward Nos. 6809-6811, Street Nos. 150-194 to 200, 31, 148 and bounded as follows: that is to say, on or towards the NORTH by Khoja Street Cross Lane, on or towards the SOUTH by the said Erskine Road, on or towards the EAST by the property described secondly in the schedule herein and on or towards the WEST by the property described firstly in the schedule herein.

Dated this 30th day of March, 1944.

DORAB AND CO.,
Purchaser's Attorneys.
(8319)

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that N. PRASAD KASHI PRASAD SINHA and MOHAMMAD ASLAM MOHAMMAD ARIF have retired from the partnership carried on by them with our client Ramesh Kumar Nanalal Vyas under the name and style of "Gita Pictures", doing business of producing Cinematograph films as and from the 30th day of March, 1944, and that the said business is as and from the said date carried on by our client the said Ramesh Kumar Nanalal Vyas as the sole proprietor thereof and that our said client is entitled to the property, assets and outstandings including the incomplete film "ADHAR" and the goodwill of the said business and the use of the said name of "Gita Pictures" and is responsible for the debts and liabilities thereof.

Dated this 3rd day of April 1944.

VAKHARIA & CO.,
Attornevs for Ramesh Kumar Nanalal Vyas,
Proprietor, "Gita Pictures",
Medows House. Medows Street,
Fort, Bombay.
(8339)

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